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THE NEGRO'S SOCIAL LIFE.

CAN HE MAINTAIN A SEPARATE SOCIAL LIFE, AND YET

Retain His Race Type?—The Difference Between the Races is Something More Than Physical Appearance.

In The Freeman of November 21st. there appeared an article from the pen of G. S. Tyns, of Washington, Ark., that deserves the most careful reading. Such productions have a peculiar value in the eyes of all who are sincerely anxious to catch sight of the first signs that show the awakening of race consciousness. I use the term "race consciousness" in a sense similar to that conveyed by the phrase "self consciousness." The expression is neither new nor original. (These remarks are made because I recall a severe criticism made against the use of such phrases by Dr. H. T. Johnson under an assumed name in the Philadelphia Tribune last April.)

Just as self consciousness reveals to an individual his distinctness from the rest of the universe and enables him to study his relations to external facts and to put forth intelligent efforts either to improve himself or his enviornment, so race consciousness enables a race to see itself and to study its relations to external facts, and to devise and employ means to improve its own condition and to regulate its relations with the external world.

The Afro-Americans are a distinct element of society, both de facto and in the opinion of the rest of society. It is indeed a hopeful sign when we see that the race is beginning to recognize the fact, and to appreciate its meaning. Perhaps Mr. G. S. Tyns was not thinking of all this when he wrote his article, but the thoughts he expressed show that he recognized these truths. He recognizes that we have "race faults," "race duties," "race character," and "race work." That is a pleasant but false doctrine which teaches that the only difference between a white man and a Negro is a difference in physical appearances. The differences are also deeper and more radical. There is a psychical difference. This is the most important fact in the entire race problem. There is not only a psychical difference between the Negro and white man as individuals, but there is a like difference between the races.

No honest and intelligent person can read the history of the two races without apprehending this truth, and no such a person can take a correct view of the white people and the Negroes of America without recognizing the same great truth. There are well worked psychical differences between various nations and between subdivisions of the same race, but there are radical differences between the Negroes who have contentedly sat in darkness in Africa for centuries, and the race that has struggled from equal darkness to the civilization of to-day. That fragment of the Negro race which is placed in the midst of American civilization presents to the world this question: "Can the descendants of Negroes assimilate the life motives and same character of the white man, and become a part of the social whole?" There are subordinate questions that arise such as these: "In order to becom a part of the social whole, must the Negro become part white in blood?,, Can the Negro maintain a separate social life and retain his race type, and yet assimilate the ideas and life motives that make up the civilization that surrounds him? This is a question of great practical importance. If reasoning and an examination of such facts as exist should point to a negative answer then race lines become an evil that must be resisted with all possible earnestness. If the answer is affirmative then the efforts to promote race progress can proceed along easier lines.

It is only by taking up the problem and slowly considering each element, each factor, that conclusions of any practical value can be reached. The average race leader is incapable of concentrating his attention to any one line of thought long enough, and if examining facts with sufficient candor to make it possible for him to reach scientific conclusions, It is for this reason that the general run of utterances upon the race problem are merely the expression of sentiments, feelings and views, and have no value or opinions.

When it comes to a consideration of such a question as "Can the descendants of Negroes assimilate the life motives and soul character of the white man and become a part of the social whole?" the average Negro gets fiery and goes off in loud talk about "all men are equal, the Negro is just as good as the white man, I believe in race pride, I do!". Such talk is from the feelings and has no practical value. What is needed is an intelligent consideration of all the facts and a careful process of reasoning until a conclusion is reached. The average Negro leader is utterly incapable of any such mental performance and is bitter in his denunciation of those who do possess enough calmness to present actual facts and practical opinions. Every public speaker knows that he dare not talk to an audience with perfect candor unless he is willing to be greatly misunderstood and bitterly censured. For this reason no Negro man in public life is fit to be a leader until he has become able to place truth above popularity. It is a most common thing to see educated preachers and speakers pandering to the notions and prejudices of the ignorant majorities. It is a rare thing to hear a Negro speaker utter his honest opinions and close up his speech without putting some "gravy" in it. No more discouraging fact could exist than the preacher's meeting of Philadelphia sought to discourage the canvas being made by the sociological department of the University of the State among the Afro-Americans. This fear of the facts and this utter ignorance of the value of scientifically arranged facts reveal the terrible inefficiency of the men to whom we look for leadership. It is encouraging to note that when the matter was fully explained, all open objections were withdrawn.

It may not be pleasant for the Afro-Americans of Washington, D. C., to read what Prof. Dubois said in The Age, about the large percentage of illegitimate births among them; but the advantage of knowing the facts would be very great, if properly used. Just what Prof. Dubois has said has previously been published by such authors as "Huffman" and is well known to the white students of Afro-American life and character. The time has come when we should be possessed of race consciousness, and should stand before the glass and see how we look, and should punch our sides, and stretch our limbs and examine ourselves with care and see what is our actual condition. We should have an adequate and definite idea of the task before us as members of society, and should devise our methods and adopt our means of endeavor with a knowledge before us of what we want to do and what we have to do in order to attain the end.

It is time to stop exaggarating, to stop lying and to seek actual facts. G. S. Tyns points out as one of the great evils "a lack of domestic life, a true home life." The family idea is an essential idea of English civilization and no people who are in serious error on this matter can become a part of civilized society. The bottom principle of the family idea is single marriage. The effectiveness of this depends upon chastity. The father must be able to fully beleive that the children are his own blood off-spring. This gives inspiration to the paternal instincts and is the motive source of industry, frugality, love of home and care for the future of the children. Virtous wives are therefore the essential factor of the home.

An appreciation of this truth would call out constant and active endeavors to promote chastity and destroy vice. In short the Negroes who appreciate this truth will become men. Those who do not are not yet at the dawn of real manhood. That Negro in Texas who shot a preacher who ruined his home deserves a monument. To see Negroes howling about loyalty to a flag, a party, a country, a church and yet too cowardly and too low to die for the protection of the virtue of their women is a spectacle to make heaven weep. The religion of the Negro has nothing in it that is adapted to promote virtue and the religious organizations of the Negro that are ineffectual in their efforts to cultivate chastity. There are Afro-Americans of greatest prominence who have bastard children in a dozen states. Some of these individuals are so dead to any conception of the evil that they have boasted of the fact that "so and so" is of their blood. Negro churches will split on the question of expelling a member for attending a dance or the theatre and will utter no word of condemnation against adultery or fornication. The man Johnson of South Carolina says that in 1892 Dr. Preston was recognized as the famous Pressley. If this be true we have the spectacle of men of the highest standing associating with and paying honor to him for four years without saying a word. In the spring of 1896 Bishop Gaines and Preston were arm in arm at the Baltimore Conference and it was only when Preston refused to fall in with some plan proposed by Bishop Gaines and Dr. Coppin that the split began. It was only after Preston had gone to several bishops and others and denied his guilt of conspiring with Coppin and others in 1892 that his erstwhile friends, Gaines et al, began to talk about his past,

What they subsequently did has no appearance of being inspired by a desire to protect virtue or to vindicate the principle of chastity. It is said that some one has a list on which is recorded henious charges of unchastity against most all of those who lead off to drive Preston from Wilmington. As to Preston these facts stand out in plain view. 1st, the fight against him was inspired by other motives than those of virtue. 2nd, the moral purposes were of such a feeble nature that the accusers failed to make any exertion to present in the judicial trial evidence of the things they charged when in the heat of an election contest. 3rd, the verdict of the Missouri Conference was in strict accord with evidence before it. 4th, the insistence upon the part of Preston's enemies that the verdict is not in harmony with the facts and that the conference is responsible for the neglect of the prosecuters to attend is simply to advertise the weakness of the church on the great question of virtue. So far as Dr. Preston is concerned he has been tried in accordance with law and is acquitted and no man has a right to publish against him personal or spiteful opinions that he was unable or unwilling to present at the trial. Preston is no longer before the church a guilty man, but the question of chastity is. It has been brought to the front and it should be kept there. If we do not build another church in fifty years, if we do not take in another member, pay another debt, print another book, found another school or do anything else of the kind for fifty years we will still have done the greatest possible good for the race if we teach virtue and rear up a generation of women fitted to be queens of homes and a generation of men fitted to be their husbands.

There are thousands and tens of thousands of pure homes among us and there are thousands and tens of thousands of Afro-American women who are as chaste as Lucretia and as pure as angels. The husband of every pure wife, the father of every innocent daughter the son of every noble mother, the brother of every virtuous sister, the lover of every chaste maiden should demand with the unsparing and unfaltering insistence that every teacher, preacher or society beau who lacks respect for virtue should be branded with infamy and driven forth from the gates. Theft, murder and arson are crimes and sins but they do not menance the race does the henious sin, unchastity. The man who slays the destroyer of his home, the brother who kills the betrayer of his sister may be punished by the law but they will be honored by all good men and forgiven by God. Is this stern and relentless course rational? It is because chastity is the essential factor of family, and the family is the source of race progress. The enemies of virtue are the murderers of a race. They deserve utter destruction, every instinct of true manhood sanctions the verdict.

The practical lesson is this: The church and leaders of thought should make constant endeavors to purify and enoble the home, the domestic life. Such efforts have two sides, the positive and the negative. Virtue should be encouraged and vice discouraged, the virtuous should be cherished and the vicious reclaimed or else destroyed. The same logic that leads all the good people to regard the lewd and and vicious man as an enemy of society also applies to the unchaste woman. The woman who has once fallen deserves pity and help but is forever unfitted to be a wife or a mother. The woman who has not only been seduced but who has afterwards acquisced in vice should be prayed for and given every tender help to reform but should never be brought over the threshhold of a pure home. There are ideas of chastity that are held by the higher types of Christianized and civilized white people. They lie far, far above the range of the average Negroes thought.

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HON. J. M. H. GRAHAM,
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THE POWER OF THE PRESS.

THE MOST POWERFUL ENGINE OF MODERN WARFARE

Is the Press, and He Who Uses the Pen to Overthrow Tyranny, Reform Institutions, is More Formidable Than an Army.

We have come across centuries strewn with the heaps of dead, and red with the blood of the slain, to arrive at last at a state of human development where the pen is mightier than the sword. The most powerful engine of modern warfare is the printing press, and the greatest general he who has the greatest genius to command, not armies, but language. It may be poetically true that language was given to our first parents by direct inspiration, but it is not scientifically true. No word is ever coined until there is an idea in the mind for which it stands. Language is the vehicle for the expression of ideas. That language is best whose richness and flexibility is such as to give expression to the loftiest conceptions and thoughts, the various shades of feeling of which the mind is capable, and he is the greatest man of letters who understands, not simply the construction of sentences and the meaning of words, but the power of syllables and letters.

There is more injury inflicted upon government, society, institutions and men by the misguided use of the pen than by all of the death-dealing engines of war. The man who with knife or gun runs amuck on the crowded streets of the city is no more dangerous than he who runs amuch in the columns of the newspaper press. The man who uses the pen to overthrow tyranny, reform institutions or in defense of truth is more formidable than an army and in the end must prevail. The munition of war with which the literary champion should be well supplied are facts, his breastworks argument. With this equipment and defense he is prepared both to attack and defend.

But he would wage war against established customs, institutions or laws should choose well his ground, his hour and his method of attack. The days when the battle for principle, for truth, for honor, for conquest or reform shall be waged by the conflict of arms, have, we believe, almost forever passed away. Future conquests will be the conquests of mind; future battles, the battles of ideas. When a man, or any number of men, seek to overthrow suddenly the existing social, industrial, political or religious conditions or order, their revolt is revolution, they are rebels. But if it succeeds they are hailed as patriots, philanthropists, and saviors of the liberties af mankind. But revolutionary methods are not justifiable in the propagation of any cause unless the movement can command sufficient strength to give reasonable assurance of success in opposing the existing order; first, because defeat retards the triumph of a worthy cause and secondly, because the established order is preferable to anarchy, which is the absense of law and recognized authority. Human institutions have never yet been perfect. Every age has been marked by the abuse of power and the corruption or pervertion of established institutions. But every age has produced reformers who arose to combat the evils of the time. A reformer seeks "the correction or amendment of life, manners, or anything vicious or corrupt; the reformation of abuses." A true reformer must always be consistent and sincere. His motive must be unselfish, his labor self sacrificing; he must neither seek nor desire anything for himself, all of his interests and ambitions must be subordinated and centred in one idea. He must not appeal to passion or prejudice; truth must be his weapon, his appeal to reason and the universal heart of humanity. When he seeks for himself renown, riches, fame or glory all of his profession will be considered insincere, he will be finally classed as a fraud and have little more influence in shaping the events of the time than the "dog that bays the moon." When a reformer seeks to lead a people to a plane upon which by reason of their character, training, traditions or experiences they are unprepared to stand, he becomes to them, at least for the time, either a fanatic or a crank. He must first educate public opinion and with great patience lead the halting steps of the multitude across the vast distances that lie between them and the heights to which he has ascended.

"Be not the first by whom the new is tried
Nor yet the last to lay the old aside," is good advice to follow in adopting proposed reforms. If we call the reformer the gunner of the heavy artillery of literary warfare, then the critic is the sharp-shooter who picks him off. A critic in the primary sense is an examiner, a judge. In the highest sense he is one who "from experience, habit, knowledge, taste can perceive the difference between the high and the low, propriety and impropriety, the correct and incorrect." In the more common or lower sense he is "one who judges with severity; one who censures or finds fault." There is a small class of critics, who have obtained some vogue among us, who seem to have neither the wisdom nor intelligence to appreciate the value of constructive criticism. The mere fault finder can run his literary shop upon a very small stock of brains and do a rushing business night and day.

American literature and art have done all in their power to place the Negro in an unfavorable light before the world. He has been car-

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IN DEFENSE OF WILBERFORCE

T. D. SCOTT OF XENIA TO THE FRONT AGAIN.

Smarting Under Bitter Reflection—Dr. Henderson Gets a "Shaking" Up—Bishop Lee's Sterling Worth What Might Have Been.

Having completed a careful perusal of Dr. J. M. Henderson's reply in your issue of the 7th inst., I hereby make my acknowledgement for the kind consideration with which he has treated me, return thanks for the beautiful tribute he pays me. He fully understands the motive that impelled me to write, for I am indebted to Wilberforce for the opportunities that have enabled me to triumph over unfavorable circumstances, and to enjoy some of the benefits to be derived from the higher walks in life. Hence it is the most natural thing in the world that I should be profoundly grateful to Wilberforce, and should entertain feelings bordering on devotion for the university and her interest. From this you can readily perceive what painful emotions must have been awakened, when I read in your excellent journal headlines like these "Wilberforce University scorched by the flaming pen of Dr. Henderson. He dubs it the school of scrubs—the church should make Wilberforce what it once was—Mitchell to go next."

I confess, that smarting under these bitter reflections on my Alma Mater, I may have allowed my excess of feelings to run away with my judgment and I may have incorrectly interpeted, the doctor's motive. I will as briefly as possible give the reasons for my interpretation, beg the doctor's pardon for the mistake I made for he intimates broadly that I did misconstrue his motive; thank you for the valuable space I have occupied in your paper, and bid a tired and suffering public a final farewell.

In order to carry out my purpose, it will be necessary for me to confine myself almost wholly to the good doctor's first article involved in this "spatting" (that I may not appear to evade or gloss over the main issue,) and to make quotations therefrom, to show the grounds for my mistaken interpretation. First, The annual appropriation of perhaps $10,000.00 looked large and inviting, the splendid structures erected added greatly to the prosperous appearance of Wilberforce; the opportunity to double up the teaching force greatly relieved the scant treasury of the University?" This seemed a little severe and somewhat caustic, as well as somewhat sarcastic to come from the pen of a trustee. The allusion to "scant treasury" and the question mark after University seemed to savor so much of contempt, that they did not appear to emanate from one who has a very high regard for a struggling school.

Again, the retention of fossilized teachers and the surrender to their leadership engendered a spirit, which at last drove from the faculty the only man of modern ideas connected with it. It turned from the school the sympathy of the enlightened public. When I remembered Prof. Shorter, the man capable of writing books on mathematics according to Dr. Henderson's own estimate, and Mrs. S. C. Scarborough and President L. T. Mitchell, as the oldest members of the faculties, and doubtless the "fossilized teachers" alluded to, I was still more put out, but confess again mistaken in the light of the lucid explanation made by the doctor recently. What led me so far astray is the fact that those teachers are considered by competent judges of so much worth educationally and so thoroughly up-to-date, that I thought it base slander to call them fossils."

The doctor has some great purpose to accomplish beyond my limited comprehension, however, but that the fulness of time will ultimately disclose. Again, Bishop Lee is almost sure to follow the counsels of Prof. Shorter and to direct his guns at President Mitchell. The italics are mine, but you will mark there is no "if" in this quotation. With a personal knowledge of Bishop Lee's sterling, independent character, logical mind, as well as honest and conscientious regard for the worth of others, and his incapability of being made the tool of anyone, I may be pardoned, I am sure, if I thought I discerned a mistake again.

"Whatever might have been done in relation to President Mitchell a year ago, (that was about the time that the doctor's "flamming pen" was seeking to scorch his administration.) It is now a fact that his retention is absolutely necessary to the life of Wilberforce. I discented from that because I regard the institution as greater than any other one man, and thought the writer mistaken. At a critical juncture in the history of this country Abraham Lincoln was assassinated, and the government at Washington still lives. Institutions are more comprehensive than individuals.

Bishop Lee has said that everybody connected with the faculty should go except J. T. Mitchell of Payne Institute. This reveals his lack of practical knowledge, Perhaps the reverse of what he has said is closest to the real truth. Again I was in error, for I hapened to know what the Bishop had said concerning the faculty, and thought the one who could pass an unfavorable criticism on a great man through a widely read journal, without knowing whereof he criticised reveal at least a lack of practical knowledge, to put the most charitable construction upon it. The temptation to dramatize the discussion and to stint and speak—ah! there is too great to be resisted, and you will pardon the working up of the situation right here out of a specimen of the good doctor's candid style of argument. If he, Bishop Lee, is led to fight president Mitchell, that will be a weak point. If he is led to sacrifice the theological department that any other department may live, he will be mistaken. What right has Dr. Henderson to introduce an "if" with reference to a man's conduct and then preceed to pass judgment on him. With equal consistency, I might say, if Dr. J. M. Henderson is lead to steal, that will be a weak point in his character. If he is led to do other unbecoming acts, he will show himself a very unworthy Christian minister.

On the strength of these "if's" I might proceed to elaborate an argument showing how wanting he is in practical knowledge and practical piety. But the common sense of mankind does not sanction such juggling with men's reputations Who could be safe from unfavorable criticism, if anyone, who cares to, may suppose something concerning a man and then pass judgement accordingly. Men are condemned for what they do. not for what they may do. It is a weak attempt to evade the responsibility for an unjust attack. The same style of candid logic underlies most of the good doctor's criticisms of Wilberforce University. Then in righteous indignation he makes the following bold assertion concerning a distinguished gentleman and scholar: His self-respect would not allow him to remain among those who had so cruelly slandered him. Knowing positively that the gentleman's self-respect had been in no sense compromised by his stay at Wilberforce, and that the assertion is false, but that if true would betray quite a low moral tone on the part of those referred to, it seemed that malice was expressed in those lines. I confess to error of judgment, however, and again beg pardon.

Finally there is no excuse to set up a Negro College in Ohio. No youth of any ability and aspirations would ever attend it. It could never hope to be any thing more than a school of scrubs. In the face of the facts, that the University has been in existence for more than forty years, and that no one is seeking an excuse to set up a Negro College in Ohio, and that a long list of distinguished and useful men and women have graduated from the University, and that three young men in the present year in three memorable contests carried off three first prizes. I thought I discerned a malicious thrust in the above quotation. But since I have not yet learned to dissociate men's motives from the logical inference of their expressions, I confess error of judgment again. I have presented some of the grounds upon which I based my interpretation of the motive that led to the writing of the article in question. I will use the same charity toward the doctor that he has extended me, for he has disarmed me of all bitterness, and will say on his authority that I was mistaken with reference to malice. I must still confess, however, that eliminating that motive leaves me wholly without a ground for interpretation that can in any sense do the good doctor credit.

The doctor has not met the open denial of the assertions made in his first artice. He has merely approached one or two of them and then started back with a shudder but—I must not tell what I know, as if he had just realized the slippery ground on which he stands Now he has either said things that are untrue, or he has not said them. I accuse him of saying them (regardless of motive or on whose authority they may be said) and no multiplying of words for the sake of glossing over or obscuring the main issue will answer the demands of a fair minded public. I did become the mouth piece for many, judging from the kind expressions received. Will he be as candid and acknowledge whose mouthpiece he is, since he keeps so well posted on the inside management of Wilberforce at such a great distance? I am in Xenia, 3½ miles away, and visit the University frequently. Those well acquainted with the good doctor's caustic style, know that it is not in his line to allow "plasters" to remain long unmoved if it be in his power to move them. And why leave them unmoved since he is engaged in the work of criticising Wilberforce for the sake of restoring her to her former strong position?

Something over a year ago the good doctor was invited to come to Wilberforce and make a thorough examination of certain conditions that had called forth the "scortching" criticism of his "flaming pen." He was promised every assistance that could be rendered by the faculty and those in authority. Has anyone heard of an investigation being made by the good doctor? Not much. He desired to impose certain conditions that no self-respecting people would submit to, and then quietly dropped the whole matter.

My only desire is simply to show that the good doctor, in his assumed role of "Censor of the ages and general regulator of all the disordered conditions pertaining thereto," has done Wilberforce University and her faculties a great injustice. The ladies and gentlemen composing these faculties are the peers of any in the land. They are capable and competent, and the departments at Wilberforce were never better manned than they are at present. To prove this assertion, I might enumerate President Mitchell, as head over all the work; Prof. J. P. Shorter, superintendent of the Normal department; Mrs. S. C. B. Scarborough, principal of the Normal department; Prof. L. S. Delaney, of the Scientific department; Prof. E. A. Clark, in the chair of Classics; Miss E. L. Jackson, the lady principal of the University; Dr. J. G. Mitchell, Dean of the Theological department; Profs. Scarborough and Woodson, of the Theological faculty, and so on through the list of twenty or more names that stand for ability and strength in the various departments. It is a shame that these excellent persons must be alluded to by a trustee of the University who helped elect many of them, as a class of people among whom a distinguished gentleman's self-respect would not allow him to remain.

In conclusion let me say, the good doctor wasted too many "pop guns" on the insignificant "champion of our school," since he is not in issue before the public. He could have done himself more credit by firing a few loaded cannon at the facts presented by that so-called "champion." There is no argument in "I know a good many things, but I won't tell," and "rest assured I do not write from guesses." The public as a jury, will only "rest assured" on the presentation of facts to sustain the assertions he has made.

And now, dear reader, if you have had the patient persistence to follow this tiresome article up to this point, please accept my profound admiration and grateful thanks for the possession (on your part) of so excellent a virtue in so eminent a degree. I bid you a final farewell. The discussion is closed as far as I am concerned.

I remain your obedient servant,

T. D. Scott,

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TOPICS OF FASHION.

Pale green and primrose are a delicate combination for evening gowns. Pale green mousseline de soie embroidered in silver crescents is ravissant over a foundation of primrose satin.

Lace flowers forked with gold cord and turquoises are appliqued on white gauze over white duchess satin.

The fashionable neck bows of mull and chiffon are not only a pretty addition to the corsage, but a great boon to beauty, as they lend a charm to the face by softening the features.

One of the highly approved modes for cloth suits shows a braided jacket, velvet collar and girdle and a tiny frill of satin or chiffon around the sleeveless jacket.

It seems to be altogether a case of short jacket these days, the name—Figaro, Bolero, Zouave, Eton, Turkish—being the secondary importance.

LIGHT
FROM
OTHER
SHORES

The first half of the Congo Railway was officially inaugurated on July 22. The 180 kilometres from Matadi to Tamba were accomplished in ten hours.

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The Princes Ansahs have proceeded to England with the object, it is believed, of making representations in behalf of the unfortunate King Prempeh.

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It is said that Major Lothaire has been debarred from carrying out a projected bicycle tour on the borders of the Rhine by a timely intimation that he would be arrested if he showed his face in Germany.

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A correspondent of the Gold Coast Methodist Times gives an account of a most extraordinary prodigy at Mempon, Aburi. A male child reported to have been born at that place in July last, who as soon as it was born, began to laugh, cry, talk and reprove the attendants on its mother as if it were a full grown adult. The prodigy is said to have survived only three days.

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The London Sunday Times says a firm of London publishers wrote last week to Prof. Haddon, of Dublin about matter of preparing a life of Parnell. Prof. Haddon replied, saying that a general belief exists that Parnell is alive on an obscure ranch in a Western State. Shortly after the announcement of Parnell's death Prof. Haddon approached the widow, mother and personal friends of Parnell with a view of obtaining materials for a biographical sketch. Documents and statements concerning Mr. Parnell were refused, the reason being given in confidence that Parnell is still alive.

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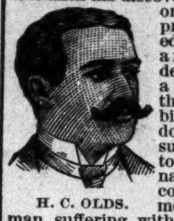
H. C. OLDS.

There is always more or less suspicion attached to anything that is offered free but sometimes a man so overflows with generosity that he cannot rest until his discovery is known to the world, in order that his fellow men may profit by what he has discovered. It is upon this principal that a resident of Kalamazoo, Mich. desires to send free to mankind a prescription which will cure them of any form of nervous debility; relieves them of all the doubt and uncertainty which such men are peculiarly liable to and restores the organs to natural size and vigor. As it costs nothing to try the experiment it would seem that any man suffering with the nervous troubles that usually attack men who never stopped to realize what might be the final result, ought to be deeply interested in a remedy which will restore them to health, strength and vigor, without which they continue to live an existence of untold misery. As the remedy in question was the result of many years research as to what combination would be peculiarly effective in restoring to men the strength they need, it would seem that all men suffering with any form of nervous weakness ought to write for such a remedy at once. *A request to H. C. Olds, Box 1189, Kalamazoo, Mich., stating that you are not sending for the prescription out of idle curosity, but that you wish to make use of the medicine by giving it a trial,* will be answered promptly and without evidence as to where information came from.

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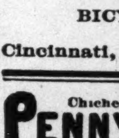
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The class of '96 of Monticello Seminary and a few of the students gave a Musicale Friday evening the 6th in the chapel. In spite of the exuberant political spirit prevalent, an appreciative audience listened to the rendition of the following program: Anthem, "Be Strong in the Lord;" invocation; anthem, "Father, O, Hear Us;" welcome address, Miss Luella Thomas; solo, "The Light House by the Sea;" duet, "The Wood Bird's Song;" select reading, "The White Lilly," Miss Anna Penry; quartet, "Drifting with the Tide;" solo, "Old Maddrid;" song and chorus, "Homeless and Alone Tonight;" solo, "Little Fisher Maiden;" instrumental duet, Misses Allen and Spencer; select reading, "Rock of Ages," Miss C. Spencer; quartet, "Rock of Ages;" solo, "Just Tell Them That You Saw Me;" duet, "Gypsy Countess;" solo, "The Little Lost Child;" solo, "The Strap That Mother Used to Fan My Pants;" solo, "Cast Aside;" reading, "An Incomplete Revelation," Miss C. Foster; solo, "Sunshine of Paradise Alley;" piano solo, Miss C. Allen; solo, "Give Me Your Answer To-day," R. B. Gilliam; duet, "Two Merry Girls;" reading, "Sandy's Romance," Miss L. J. McCorkle; bass solo, "I'm King O'er Land and Sea," J. T. Colbert; quartet, "Come Where the Lillies Bloom;" duet, "Gently, Gently, Sighs the Breeze;" benediction; Mrs. C. S. Mebane, musical directress and Miss Christina Allen, pianist deserve credit for the excellent management and skillful performance of the exercises.

At the close of the program, Mr. Grant S. Neal, traveling agent for The Freeman, spoke in interest of the paper. In choicest words and gracious manner he delineated its many commendable features in terms sufficient to convince the most skeptical regarding the Negro's progress in journalism. Several new subscribers were added to the list. We will look forward with pleasure to the coming of The Freeman.

The Masonic Grand Lodge of colored Masons of Arkansas has accomplished a wonderful work under its efficient Grand Master, M. A. Clark of Marianna, who has been elected to this high and honorable position every year during the past fifteen years. When be was first elected Grand Master in 1881 there were thirteen chartered colored lodges in the state. Since then there have been set up 114 lodges and eighty-five halls erected. These will average a cost of $500, making an aggregate value of $42,500. Under Mr. Clark's administration a mutual benefit was created under which the following amounts have been paid each year to the widows of deceased Masons of his jurisdiction: In 1883, $1,500; 1884, $1,530; 1885, $970.75; 1886, $1,200; 1887, $1,089.33; 1888, $2,915.04; 1889, $2,951.62; 1890, $2,652.57; 1891, $3,151.12; 1892, $3,365; 1893, $3,657.59; 1894, $5,009.53; 1895, $5,094.63; 1896, to date $5,300. This makes a total of $36,802.50 paid out as mutual benefit payments by the Grand Lodge under Grand Master Clark's administration. It is an excellent showing and proves the truth of the declaration that Masonry is known both far and wide for acts of charity and deeds of pure influence.

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The management of the C. H. & D. Ry., recognizing that the public demand low rates and trains at shorter intervals for their suburban business than is practical with the present motive power and heavy equipment, have decided to adopt a lighter equipment for the handling of this short local business, in some of its most densely populated territory, by calling to its aid electricity, and a deal was consumated in Cincinnati recently, by which the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railway becomes the owner, by purchase, of the street railway lines of Middletown, Ohio.

The C. H. & D. Ry., Co., assumes control at once, and will make immediate connection between the street car tracks and the railway. Through cars will be operated from all parts of the city of Middletown to Hamilton, with electricity as the motive power. The most modern equipment, motors and cars will be put on this line in a short time, and a very low schedule of fares will be adopted, and every effort put forth to give the traveling public an electric service which cannot be excelled anywhere in this country.

In a short time the electric service will be extended south of Hamilton to Cincinnati, thus revolutionizing its suburban business, which is the heaviest any line has running out of Cincinnati. The C. H. & D. Ry. have in view, in this connection, the building up of the surburban villages stretching along the Mill Creek valley. The action of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railway in this matter, which insures an electric service between Cincinnati, Hamilton and Middletown far superior to any which can be afforded by a line built exclusively for that purpose because of the fact that this railroad has a much more solid and smooth roadbed than could be built for the exclusive use of an electric service, will probably result in discouraging the investment of much larger sums of money by the competing lines through territory where there is not business enough for more than one such road.

B. Square's Bluster.

That the Negro has made great progress in the past thirty years; that there is room for him to make a great amount more; that he is far behind the white classes who started out in the race of American life the same time he started, handicapped in the same; that his worse foe is himself; that he is blind to his own interest; that he is peculiar in his peculiarities, and—that his case is almost hopeless, are facts the fair minded student of civilization and progress is forced to admit.

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The Negro is peculiar—to a degree to be regretted—in his peculiarities. It is of one of these peculiarities I propose to devote a few paragraphs in this "bluster." The Negro apes the doings of the white man to a degree that gives rise to the belief that there is nothing original (not even sin) in him; or to give the above truth a more musical sound, I will say that, the civilization of the colored American is European. He follows in the foot steps of his white fellow citizen. He has his "400," his "upper 10" and lower 5." He gives state dinners, pink teas, drives fine horses, rides a "bike," lives beyond his income, is a saint and sinner, (some times like the brother in white, both at the same time) he drinks, "sports" and even tells lies exactly like the white man; in fact he apes all the white man's doings except the only one that will place him on equal footing with the white man.

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The Negro fails to emulate the white man in business methods. In the distribution of business foresight, business horse sense, business confidence and general business abilities, nature has been very unkind to the Negro. In making an investment of a dollar, the white man always looks upon the bright side—the page of profits; the black man always looks upon the dark side—the page of loss. The white man reasons thus: "If this investment is successful I will make five dollars." The black man: "If the enterprize fails, I'll be one dollar out." The more he ponders the matter over, the more unrest enters his breast, and unless he can see 500 or 600 per cent staring the venture in the face, he will use all honorable (?) means in his power to get his dollar back in his pocket.

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Business is a speculative venture, a risk, a hazard, in which a man or a company of men invest their cold cash with the hope, expectation or knowledge that they will realize from 1 per cent to perhaps 100 per cent from the money invested. Business is conducted upon confidence and trust, foresight, horse sense and honor. The "brother in black', uses none of the foregoing in business. If the Negro keeps in the field of business, or ventures into an honest speculation, he conducts his actions with fear, distrust, lack of common sense and dishonor.

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It seems strange to the student that the Negro is so slow to copy the business and money making methods of the white man, from the fact that he (the Negro) being employed in the North and West mostly by business firms, and although the nature of his work is nine times out of ten of the menial order, he has a golden opportunity to study the art and science of speculative investments.

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If all the Negro enterprizes with which I have been connected during the past twenty years had been successful, I would to-day be worth a round half million dollars. There is far more truth than fiction in the remark that the "business" Negro has a string to his dollar.

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Let me again say what I said in my article in the Christmas number of The Freeman, that the solution of the "race problem" is wealth, and that the key to wealth is business. Let me ask every man and woman of color who reads The Freeman, to carefully re-read that article; if they are new subscribers or have lost their Christmas number, let them send to The Freeman office for a copy of the same.

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Dr. J. M. Henderson is truly a great man—a great thinker, great minister; great citizen; great student of Negro human nature; great writer and great race man. The world will be better and the race should be from the fact of his having lived in this century. The doctor's logic, philosophy and reviews are almost perfect. He comes far nearer perfection than other Negro writers, (Prof. Thompson, of Washington, D. C., being a close second), still there is one big spot, so to speak, upon Dr. Henderson's sun; he washes too much of the A. M. E. church and Wilberforce's soiled garments in the columns of this paper. Church linen, if deeply soiled by immorality or slightly dusty with antiquated ideas and methods, should be taken to the kitchen of the A. M. E church and there washed, ironed and aired. We have enough religious skeptics, and enough "free thinkers" without making public the dirty short comings and "old Adam" of the church.

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I do not believe in wearing those foolish buttons, still I hunted all over Greater New York the morning after election for a button with "I told you so." I could not find one, but found the next best with, "I have heard it before."

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Speaking of the election, to use the language of street, the Negro did not "cut much ice" in the East in this election. It was too much one sided. I do not know how many colored men in New York state are entitled to vote, but about 21,000 vote at every election. This gives us black political self-appointed leaders an opportunity to kick and yell for recognition after election, if the state goes Republican by only 10,000, 12,000 or 15,000 majority. This year we are not "in it," I am sorry; I had my eye on the Recorder of Deeds' shoes, in Washington, D. C., and brother what's-his-name had both eyes on the ministership to Hayti (and has for twelve years). 'Twas ever thus, etc.

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Speaking of Negro enterprizes, do not be surprised if you see, in a week or two, a high classed Negro magazine, the peer of Munsey's, of which I will be the editor-in-chief, and Edward Elmore Brock and Miss Alice Ruth Moore associate editors. Then again, do not be surprised if you do not see it. Do not, in this age of surprises, be surprised at anything.

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Do not be surprised when I tell you that the Hon. C. H. J. Taylor, Recorder of Deeds, is the Supreme All-at-law for the I. S. D. C., and that the order will be in a year one of the leading business "trusts" in the United States (among colored people). If you are a member of the I. S. D. C. and have not lived up to your sworn obligation, do not be surprised if your name appears in this paper in the Supreme Book Keeper's next report as a cut off member, and the reason why you were expelled, made public.

B. SQUARE.

Hope Happenings.

Hope, Ark., Special.

The A. M. E. Conference is in session at Fordyce, with Bishop W. B. Derrick presiding. Rev. Dennis, W. H. Joiner, M. W. Smith, and H. R. Scott left Hope for the conference. Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Nettie Holt and A. W. Clark. There will be a concert at Rev. McDade's church, given by the Haygood students. Call on Elliott and Lewis before you leave town. E. E. Elliot takes orders for clothes, suits or single. Lonzy Ward, Flimon Ward, Wenstead Crocket, Jim Clark and W. J. Wood were out on a hunting tour. Rev. Z. R. Reeves has gone to Camden to tender his resignation. S. T. Thompson has returned from Hot Springs where he has been for two months. Rev. J. E. McDade is arranging for his conference which will set Dec. 2d. D. R. Rogers has returned from Paris, Tex., where he has been working. He looks well. Call and see Mrs. Julia Johnson, an old superannuated lady. The Republicans are proud of their success. Mayor Thompson, the blacksmith, can be found on Main street. Rev. J. D. Dennis will be signed back to Hope.

Resolutions Adopted.

At a regular communication of the Eastern Light Lodge No. 6 F. A. and A. M., Pine Bluff, Ark., Sept. 7, 1896, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Supreme Architect of the Universe to remove from our midst on August 31, 1896, our late brother, D. A. Parks, and

WHEREAS, The intimate relation long held by our deceased brother with the members of this Lodge, render it proper that we should place on record our appreciation of his service as a Mason and his merits as a man. Therefore, be it

Resolved, By Eastern Light Lodge No. 6 on the register of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons that while we bow with humble submission to the will of the Most High we do not the less mourn for our brother who has been called from labor to rest.

Resolved, That in the death of D. A. Parks this Lodge looses a brother who was always active and zealous in his work as a Mason ever ready to succor the needy and distressed of the fraternity. Prompt to advance the interests of the order, devoted to its welfare and prosperity, one who was wise in council, fearless in action, an honest upright man, whose virtues endeared him not only to his brethren of the order, but to all of his fellow citizens.

Resolved, That this Lodge tender its heartfelt sympathy to the family and relations of our deceased brother in this their sad affliction. Committee.

M. C. BOYDE,
WM. H. THOMAS,
C. E. SHANKS.

She—"There's one thing about Mr. Meeklie. He always speaks well of people." "Yes; it has become second nature with him. He is obituary editor of the Daily Persuader."

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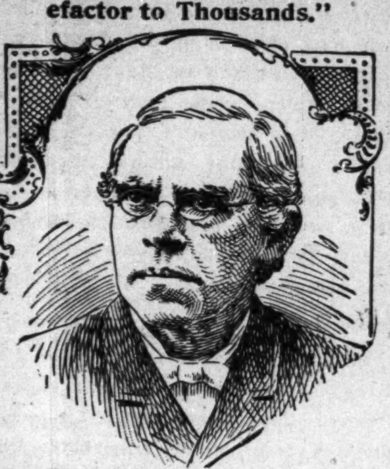

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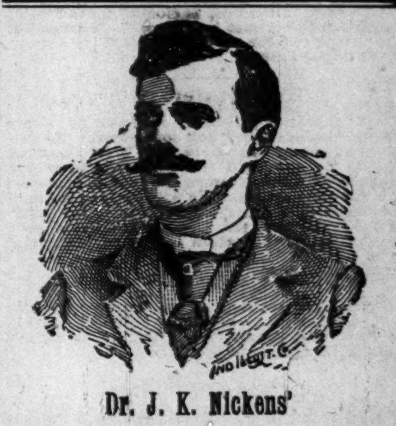

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BOOKER T. WASHINGTON FOR THE CABINET.

Booker T. Washington, as president of Tuskegee, is probably more congenial to the taste of the professor than Booker T. Washington as Secretary of the Agricultural Department of the United States. If it is not, it should be so at any rate. There is no earthly need of spoiling a good professor in order to make a possibe failure as a politician. Mr. Washington's sphere is the field he is in. He is a schoolman, broadly, distinctly. He made his reputation as such, and not in the field of politics. The idea is far too prevalent that the god of politics is the reiging deity to which all other pursuits must pay obeisance. The idea is too prevalent within the precincts of the race. There was a notable instance in this state where a high and noble calling was laid aside, and in order that the subject might be tricked out in a political toga. It was an unwholeseme lesson. "Cobbler stick to thy last" was the wise admonition of good King Gustavus Adolphus of Sweeden, when he attempted and failed to herd geese. It is not always best to offer up the best as before intimated to a kind of a political Zeus. It is far too indicative of a proneness for politics, which bespeaks glamour and show, which is not the saftest for a race that is simply making its way, and feelingly at that. The eminence of Mr. Washington in his calling should make his calling akin to sacredness for him.

"Let others in the fields their arms employ,
But stay my Hector here and guard his Troy."

So thought Andromache, so thinks the world. It is to be hoped that Mr. Washington will not allow himself to be gathered up in a political vortex, which may, as well as not, sweep him to destruction. The world admires Washington, the schoolman, but in other pursuits he has yet to be tried. Then, in the language of Dante may he have it not to say, that the sadest of all words are; "that it might have been." Again if the position, which comes nearly being a sinecure, is weighed with the one he now holds, the one proposed will kick the beam. The good he is doing, the light he is holding up, and the knowledge diffused by his connection with his noble institution, is not to be compensated easily by earthly rewards. To distribute seeds and to watch the autonomy of a self-regulating office, so to speak, cannot supplant a work that echoes the world around. It is folly to think of sacrificing a work of love and of such inestimable blessing to mankind at the same time, to the dubious results of a four years term in any office. Mr. Elliot of Harvard, or Mr. Harper of the Chicago University, if deep in love with their work, could scarce exchange places with a king upon a throne, and there are thousands like unto them. The world holds Prof. Booker T. Washington as one of these.

THE TENNESSEE EXPOSITION.

The Tennessee Centennial Exposition, which was post-poned a year owing to the election has taken on renewed activity. This exposition promises to be a repetition of the Atlanta affair, which did more good in bringing the races in close relationship than anything that has happened in a quarter of a century. The speech of Booker T. Washington on that occasion has been a leverage ever since to the Negro's interest. This Tennessee Exposition will give another opportunity for emphasizing the good impression made manifest at Atlanta. There will be the usual Negro Department. These departments seem absolutely necessary in the South. It certainly is not the most welcome sound in the world, this Negro Department idea. But what are you going to do about it? Mr. Richard Hill has been selected as chief of this department and his energy is being felt. It is to be hoped that the circular letters issuing from this department may meet with as warm a reception as the the departments expects. The expositions opens May 1, 1897, continuing six months.

THE Provident Hospital and Training School is the name of a new enterprize set on foot by a number of charitable disposed people of the city of Chicago. Mr. H. H. Kohlsat, a large hearted white gentleman and others, ably seconded the commendable efforts of the colored people. Among those who entered in the work with zeal was the late Bishop Ward, Dr. Jenifer, Rev. J. F. Thomas, L. G. Wheeler, Dr. C. E. Bentley, J. E. Madden, Rev. L. H. Reynolds, Rev. G. W. Gains, R. M. Hancock, J. W. Jones, Dr. A. A. Wesley, Dr. Geo. Hall and others. It has been some half dozen years since the incipiency of the plan; but it has been kept well in mind. A beautiful new four story building now adorns that city — the monument of ingenuity, patience and toil, evidenced by colored people. The Training School for nurses is a late idea. To see this feature incorporated bespeaks the quick insight of the colored people of Chicago. Such an institution must of necessity be a godsend to any community where Negroes exist in large numbers. To be faithfully and conscientiously treated and attended during indisposition is often times the open sesame to convalescence. If Chicago sees and feels the need of an institution of this kind, other cities not so advantageously situated can well follow the example. There are a few cities in the East and South were similar institutions are maintained, but they can be counted on one hand.

LAST week at Columbus, Miss., it is alleged that a young Negro named Mims Collier attempted an assault upon Miss Tillie Vaughan, a respsctable white woman living about twelve miles northeast of this city, in the vicinity of Steenston. Collier had a preliminary trial before Justice Williams, who bound him over to the Circuit Court, and he was held at a store near Steenston in charge of constables Watson and Mehaffy. Monday night a mob of over 100 men overpowered the officers, and Tuesday morning Mims' body was found dangling from the limb of a nearby tree.

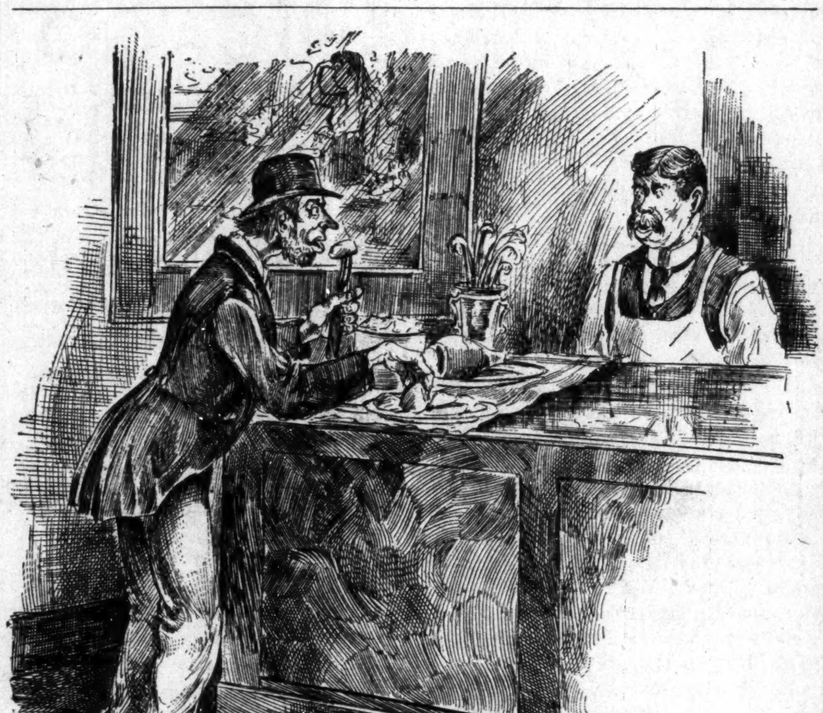
From Kentucky, a few days ago, and now from Mississippi comes the revolting news of the work of a mob, who takes and alleged culprit from between the very teeth of justice and administers to him justice according to their views. Are these crimes greater than a possible penalty? Such could not be for this mob only imposed death. Was this the only instance of such gross violations of the law, no complaint would be uttered. But it is the same old story. The world ceases to comment on the savage proceedure in the midst of civilization. Threats, entreaties, nor tears have been of avail. Grin and bear it is the lesson learned. Jerked into eternity by a mob is of no moment. Mere chagrin is all can be shown. Impotency and rage make a sick heart. A higher authority than a supreme court must be appealed unto or else these indignities will undermine the colored people of the country over, "In the Gods of battle trust," say some. But who can take arms against a sea of trouble? It seems puerilish to wait on a providence in such matters. Yet it is said if He is for you who can be against you? And still it is said "God helps those who help themselves." Which horn of the dilemma, please? Further on it is noted that one may chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight. "Thrice is he armed, whose quarrel is just," these high sounding phrases, seem ample philosophy against the hemp theory, but the hemp theory seems to be a condition more than a theory. A few more shedding of tears and the change may come. We abide the time.

PHILADELPHIA is not a bad place for Negroes, says one of our exchanges. It gives employment to 1,000 colored men. The Mayor has a messenger at $720. There are four men in the Recorder of Deeds Offie, whose salaries range from $900 to $1100 per annum. There are 61 colored policemen at $2.75 per day. It has one man as clerk in the fire department. J. F. Needham at $1500 is discount clerk in the tax office There are 67 men on the pay roll of the Bureau of Water Works. Quite a number in the tax office and 50 on the public works. Indianapolis has always felt proud of her record, but it is evident that Philadelphia is hard to beat.

DR. J. L. CURRY, ex-minister to Spain, and trustees of the Peabody and Slatter funds in addressing the the colored students of Shaw University last week among other things sais:

"I don't believe a man who cannot read his ballot ought to be allowed to put it into a box."

It may be contended that the utterance is insignificant. It is not the utterance so much as the occasion and individual who spoke. Indeed, the Doctor must have been in a very surely mood. He viciously attacked the policy of the schools for flying the American flag, insisting that they were not supported by the government. The Doctor is a little late in coming to the conclusion that a man who cannot read should not vote. Had he spoken sooner the chances are he would have been relieved of some of his good offices. However, the world will wag away in spite of the ill humor of the custodian of school funds, whose delicate sentiments doubtless fits him for the places.



MR. FREE LUNCH—"Say! You eat like a starved pig."
COL. NEVER EAT—"Well, Yes, I allus likes to eat a plenty on Thanksgivun' Day.

THE Hebrews do not take to the presidents last Thanksgiving proalamation owing to the insertion of the passage:

"And let us, through mediating of Him who has taught us how to pray implore the forgiveness of our sins and a continuation of heavenly favor.

They are not reconciled to that "Him." Grover was so exultingly exercised over the election, that he forgot his diplomacy in favor of his religion.

IT seems that some persons are desirous of robbing Hon. A. D. Straker of his laurels for the introduction of the lynching plank. The plank was meek and inoffensive enough. It is not likely to bring cabinet positions nor immortality. But honor to whom honor is due. It is very likely had it not been for the Federation of the colored men of America the plank would have gone a glimmering. By-the-way, Fortune says, that name makes him tired. He is lassitudinal all must admit. It is not to be understood that this body of men brought about the immediate result, but the constant agitation by them kept the subject fresh. Dr. W. D. Crum, who was one of the committee, admits that Straker did appear before them on the subject. Mr. Straker could do no more as he was not on the committee.

The suggestion of the New York Age of Hon. John M. Langston for Attorney General we believe will meet the approbation of every Afro-American in the country. John M. Langston is made of the right material for a first class Attorney General The coming administration could confer no greater honor upon the colored voters than by his appointment. The selection would be a most popular one—Michigan Representative Adrian.

Hon. John M. Langston is certainly a prominent figure in the country. Men of such note and calibre would give general satisfaction in prominent places. To mention Mr. Langston for the Attorney Generalship is a great tribute to his ability as a lawyer. Mr. Harrison selected his old law partner for the position which gave emphasis to the assertion that there is a closeness in the two positions. Mr. Ceveland, however, did not follow his policy.

"CROWN the people king!" "Yes, but the King must know," says the University extension people. Evidences are plentiful that ignorance is going to be reckoned with in the future, when it comes to shaping the affairs of government. The Bryan episode has been useful in that the learned will be more energetic in helping to diffuse knowledge. It is conceded that knowledge is power. The reverse was threatening in the late campaign. It is a good omen when the great schools of the country open up their precious stores and disseminate their wares among the more unfortunate of mankind. It behooves these schools to spread the the light. Give the world the benefit of those millions bequeathed, instead of the few, for if the King be ignorant, mad will be the reign.

Our old friend and neighbor, Geo. L. Knox, of Indianapolis, but formerly of this city, is out for the position of Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia under the incoming McKinley administration. The office was formerly held by the late Fred Douglass, and is now filled by a colored gentleman. We would be glad to see our friend honored with the position under that administration. George ought to be handed the same on a silver plate, as he has been a good Republican these many years and has never before asked for any pie.—The Handcock Democrat, Greenfield, Ind.

THE Colored American McKinley Club of San Francisco, it is said, has drafted a civil rights bill which will be submitted to the state legislature for passage. It is claimed that it will be passed, owing to the Republican majorities. A civil rights bill sounds a little obsolete. It is strange that there should be a necessity for it. Our very opimistic friends should keep a weather eye open.

THE AMERICAN CITIZEN, edited by Hon. John L. Waller, has nominated Hon. R. T. Greener for Secretary of the Interior.

Might Get Their Votes.

Hoax—"If Bryan runs again in 1900 he will get the solid vote of the humorists." Joax—"Why?" Hoax—"He has announced that he will still keep this silver question before the public with all its 16 to 1 combinations.

OUR REPRESENTATIVE.

Jesse Graham you well remember.
Was elected on the third day of November,
To a position that is due every honest-man,
Who shows he is a Republican thoughout the land.

Montgomery county made a good selection,
Which was proven by the majority in this election,
The gallant old soldiers marched to the polls,
And casted their ballots open and bold.

He is a school-mate, citizen and a son,
To gain a broad reputation he has begun,
The position he will hold is a responsible one
We must stick by him; yes, everyone.

No matter the differences we've had in the past
We must unite in our solid mass,
And hold up this bright and brilliant son
For an example for our younger ones.

The young men showed with their aid and support
That they realized the value of every vote,
And hard at work the determined band
Succeeded in electing this noble young man.

Her children's children they shall know
The good withheld from her,
And so her reverie takes prophetic cheer,
In the spirit she sees the stir.

For down the depths of a thousand years,
And marks the revel shine,
Her dusky face is lit with sober light
Sibylline, yet benigh.

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JESSE M. H. GRAHAM

Jesse M. H. Graham was born in Nashville, Tenn., thirty years ago. His father, who was a son of General Sam Houston, Governor of Tennessee, President of Texas, soldier, statesman, etc., was reared by a Major Graham, of Gallatin, Tenn., consequently he was called Monroe Graham, to such an extent that he recognized that as his name. Neither of Jesse's parents were ever in slavery. He (Jesse) was in the first graduating class from the public schools here in 1881. He attended Fisk University, one of the finest in the United States, for several years. He was the first colored boy to receive state scholarship from the senatorial district, Senator Wm. M. Daniel conferring it. He taught school some eight or ten years and was always considered among the best. In February, 1892, he entered a civil service examination at Louisville, Ky., and although a perfect stranger and taking the hardest exmination of all, the clerical, and having 44 contestants and received a position in the Louisville post-office, as clerk in the mailing department. His duties there as stamper and inspector of 2nd, 3rd and 4th class matter, necessitated a thorough knowledge of postal laws and regulations. Being a close student, he soon became to be a recognized authority on all questions pertaining to postal laws. He was also rated as the speediest stamper of third class matter in the United States. He remained in this position three years. Differences having arisen between him and the new postmaster, he returned to Clarksville and became editor of the Clarksville Enterprise, which position he now holds. He is a close reader and bright scholar, being exceptionally good in mathematics, fond of music and an excellent performer on the slide trombone. He could also lay claims to being an orator. But for the Negro blood in him, he would to-day be occupying a position more desirable than one he now has been elected to. Should there be occasion to vote for a United States Senator he will vote for a sound money man. Jesse Graham is intelligent, progressive, polite, courteous and well thought of by all who know him.

He is the only Negro in the Tennessee legislature, having received the largest vote ever cast for a legislative candidate.

Pine Bluff News.

Pine Bluff, Ark., Special.

The new Annex Lodge with the assistance of the other Odd Fellow Lodge laid the corner stone of Union Hopewell Baptist church. The Odd Fellows officiating were P. G. M. Joseph Beardon, Noble Grand; P. N. F., H. A. McDonald, V. G.; P. G., M. R. A. Prichard, Chaplain; P G. M. G. M. Donley, P. Secretary; P. G. M., James Ray, Elective Secretary; P. M. W. M. E. E. Fluker, P. N. F.; P. M. W. M., J. C. Smith, Master of Ceremonies. The manner in which the ceremonies were conducted reflected great credit upon Odd Fellowship. Rev. Joshua Flagg, the pastor of the church, is an earnest and zealous minister and deserves great credit for the good he is accomplishing. The pastor was presented with the neat little sum of $13. Broth J. C. Havis and Brother E. E. Fluker represented the Odd Fellow lodges of Pine Bluff in the B. M. C. at Indianapolis. The Odd Fellows of Pine Bluff feel proud of them. Mr. Thomas Roberts, an old citizen of this place, died Saturday night. The funeral services of the deceased were conducted at St. John A. M. E. church Sunday, November 15th, Rev. H. H. King officiating. Rev. H. H. King delivered his farewell address to the Sunday School and to the members of the church. The amount of money in cash raised by Rev. H. H. King, during this conference year is $2,380.58 Charley Duke, the son of Prof. J. C. Duke, left two weeks ago to accept his appointment at Washington, D. C. Charley is a graduate of the Branch Normal College and we are not surprised at all on hearing of his success. The Branch Normal College still stands as it always has stood, pre-eminent over any other institution of Arkansas. Thanksgiving day was observed in due form by all the churches and schools of this city. St. Paul Baptist church had quite a fine program rendered on the 26th. Everybody attended the literary and praise services on Thanksgiving day. The following distinguished devines visited and lectured at the Branch Normal College this week: Revs. J. E. Carter, Cox, C. P. Jones and Dr. Shaeffer. The students were very highly pleased with the interesting and instructive remarks of the above named gentlemen.

Personal Mention.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

Every body enjoyed Thanksgiving. Each church had an elaborate program. Rev. B. A. J. Nixon has made a grand beginning on his new church. The public school will close in two weeks with a cantata and musical. A literary society was organized at the Baptist church with Mr. A. J. Scott as president, and J. C. McAdams, Esq., as critic. Miss Lucindia J. Washington will attend Fisk University after Christmas. Miss Rosa Peacock leaves for Roger Williams this week. Mrs. Lizzie H. McAdams left last week for St. Louis to visit her mother. Miss Letsie V. Morten and Miss Mary E. Sims will leave soon for Kentucky on a visit to relatives. Mrs. B. G. Burkeen will preside at the organ at the closing of Prof. T. T. Ransom's school. Mr. Losson Evans has gone to St. Louis to live. Prof. R. L. Whitesides has made some neat improvements on his house. Quarterly conference at the M. E. church last Sunday. Presiding Elder White preached an interesting sermon Most of the country schools will close next week.

Richmond News.

Richmond, Ind., Special.

Miss Bell Scott died last Saturday morning at seven o'clock of consumption. Her funeral was preached at the Second Baptist church by Rev. G. W. Williams; there was a large attendance. Miss Sarah Clark is on the sick list. Miss Hettie Stokes, who has been visiting friends at Fountain City, has returned home. The Mt. Moriah Baptist Church is holding protracted meeting. There was a grand dinner served at the A. M. E. Church Thanksgiving day. There will be an entertainment given at the G. A. R. Hall Christmas night; admission, ten cents. The Wilson Theatre Company which played here last week, was largely attended. James H. Weaver, who has been visiting friends here, has returned to his home in Washington, D. C. The McKinley Club gave a grand concert Tuesday night which was largely attended.

Church and Personal Mention.

Loganspors, Ind., Special.

Sunday was quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church. Rev. H. H. Thompson, presiding elder, was present all day and preached the sacramental sermon. The quarterly meeting was largely attended. Rev. Price, of Peru, was in the city Saturday. Mr. Milton Taylor, of Rockford, Ill., is in our city shaking hands with his many friends, Robert Smith, of Marion, is living with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Russell, Janett Jones, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Jones, is on the sick list. There was an entertainment given at the A. M. E, church on Thanksgiving night. Miss Mary Allen is visiting friends in Ft. Wayne. Wedding bells will ring soon. Harry Long has accepted a position in Harris and Jones' barber shop. Rev. G. W. Johnson is on the sick list. Mariah Chapman is very sick at this writing.

THE NEGRO'S SOCIAL LIFE.

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tions of the race and these high and and true ideas of the whites is the distance the Afro-American has to ascend to reach the moral and social level of the whites. As long as colored preachers can drag female secretaries around the country with them and lay aside all conventional restraints in the associations, that by the race churches are below the standard of even ordinary decency of sentiment. This is a sufficient appeal to the better class of the race. It is not made in vain. There are millions of Afro-Americans who are pure, noble and upright. If the churches do not sanction these sentiments and opinions, then the churches are that much below the standard. Those who hold the right opinion can never compromise.

The churches must come up to the truth; the truth will never come down.

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THE POWER OF THE PRESS.

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icatured and criticised with merciless malignity. The search light is turned upon every phase of his development and life. As far as possible his merits are veiled in the shadows, while his short-comings are flooded with light. The Negro has had little opportunity to gain experience and develop capacity for management and control of business enterprises or institutions. But he is an apt scholar and a close student who realizes his deficiencies. The members of the race who seek to serve it in the capacity of critics, by placing on exhibition and parading before the world the short-comings, the failures, the faults and mistakes in the very best work it has done, and the best men and women it has produced, do more to discredit it before the world than all of their efforts in its behalf are likely to repair. The Negro needs not so much to be told of his ignorance, as he needs educational facilities; not so much to be reminded of his poverty as to have an equal chance to win his bread; not so much to be lectured for his immorality as better conditions for moral growth; not so much to be censured for lack of true ambition, as a chance to approach the altar where the fires of aspiration are kindled. Only he is qualified to criticise who understands the laws of cause and effect as relates to our condition, and who without malice or predjudice while pointing out the failures and short-comings of the race shows also how they may be corrected and repaired.

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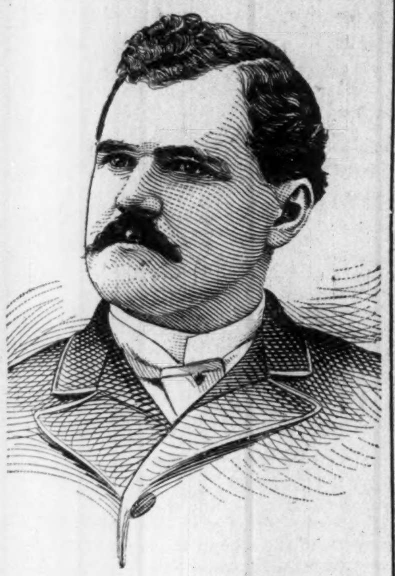

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This church has erected a building and fitted up rooms for all of the above mentioned departments and with rooms besides, for a kindegarten, house-work classes, cooking school, sewing and dressmaking school, and a Bible institute for christian workers and pastors' help. All of which departments of work will be put into operation as soon as the funds for the employment of instructors can be raised.

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Enterprising Citizens—Notes.

Chatham, Ontario, Special.

Several persons own homes and farms of fifty to eighty acres and raise fine crops. Daniel Eddie is one of the leading farmers; he has a farm of seventy-nine acres and raises from 400 to 500 bushels of wheat; the land is very rich and fertle. Mr. Scott has a fine house and farm of fifty or sixty acres. His family is composed of a wife and four charming daughters, Misses Francis, Annie, Nellie and Arling. These young ladies are artists and do many kinds of fine needle work. There are four colored churches in Chatham, which are very well attended. Our ladies and gentlemen are preparing for a Christmas feast. Our Sunday School is growing fast and is interesting. Papers were read last Sunday by sister Eddie and Misses Annie and Nellie Scott. The Freeman is a surprise visitor here but it bids fair to win its place in our homes. It is supplied each Sunday from the pulpit. Prof. J. H. C. McPherson, B. D., is agent for The Freeman and pastor of the Union M E. church.

The Y. M. S. Club Meeting.

Hamilton, O., Special.

The Y. M. S. Club met Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Maxwell. Mr. and Mrs. Perkins of West Elkton, O., stopped in this city Sunday while on their way to Piqua, Ohio. Mr. H. Davison of Indianapolis, Ind., is visiting his brother. Miss J. Henderson addressed the ladies of the Mite Missionary Society Wednesday evening. There was a social at the Baptist church Friday evening. There was a Thanksgiving dinner held at the A. M. E. church and in the evening there was a concert. Two persons were baptized at the Baptist church Sunday.

After the Conference.

Ennis, Tex., Special.

The Texas & Midland R. R. is expected to erect their shops here very soon, Prof. J. P. Elliott is up and visited the conference. Brother J. D. Lister lost his little boy last week. Mr. Willis Biggin lost his wife this week. The A M. E. Annual Conference was a grand success. Everything moved off nicely. Prof. John R. Hawkins, secretary of the educational department, was in the city last week visiting the annual conference. Prof. H. T. Keating, editor of the A. M. E. Review, and Prof. I. M. Burgan. D. D., professor of theology and natural sciences, were in the city last week. Miss E. M. Carter, of New Orleans, lectured to a large audience on the subject, "The Black woman in the South." Miss Carter is an intelligent woman and is working for the interest of her race. Rev. J. H. Armstrong, D. D., will leave for Austin, Tex., to hold the Central Texas Conference. Hon. B. A. Johnson P. G. M., of Corsicana, Tex., was in the city last week. Mrs. Caroline Jackson, the woman preacher of Dallas, was in the city last week the guest of Mrs. McNeal. R. B. Thompson, of McKinney, Tex., was in the city this week. Mrs. Bart, of Cottin Gin, Tex., was in the city last week. Mrs. L. Dennis was in the city last week. Mrs. Geo. Malone, of Milford, Tex., was in the city last week. Mrs. Wright and W. M. Malone, of Milford, spent a few days in the city this week with her son and daughter. Sam Ballard, Gorge Worters and Thos. Clemons, of Cotton Gin, was in the city this week. Mrs. Ben Lott lost her boy last week. Brother Allen Neal is yet on the sick. The Odd Fellows of Ennis are preparing to go to work on their new hall. F. Roark is still at his old stand in the alley.

A Negro Lieutenant—Literary Notes.

Wilberforce, O., Special.

Dr. J. G, Mitchell is in Columbus. Lieut. Young passed his examination for First Lieutenant at Leavenworth, Kan., and today is the only Negro lieutenant in the world. He is a young man that the race may be justly proud of. He now draws a salary of $1,800 annually, with a handsomely furnished house free. He is only thirty-two years old and every inch a scholar. The entire school payed him a visit Friday afternoon to congratulate him. College colors and college yells filled the air. The Sodalian literary society gave their first public meeting in University Chapel Thursday evening. Following is the program: march, "Liberty Bell," F. F. Robinson; chant, "Holy, Holy, Holy," congregation; roll call; critique, J. E. Maxwell; essay, "The Advantage of a Good Education," Thomas Pate; oration, "The Negro of the Twentieth Century," C. Simpson; quarteete, "When the Flowers Bud and Blossom," Messrs. Butler, Crinsman, Robinson, Phelps; reading, Librarian S. A. Hull; budget, H. F. Bray; vocal solo, "Beauties Eyes," Miss C. Mayne; debate, "Resolved, That the Catholics are justified in demanding seperate schools in Canada," affirmative, C. H. Boone; negative, O. L, Moody; quartette, "The Steeple on the Hill," Messers. Butler, Crinsmen, Robinson, Phelps. The students from Africa gave an entertainment in Xenia Thanksgiving Eve. Three of our girls had the misfortune to be sent home last week.

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Personal and Social Happenings.

Miles, Mich., Special.

Miles is a busy little city with a population of 300 Afro-Americans. There are two churches, a Baptist and the A. M. E. church; two colored lodges, the G. U. O. of O. F. and the Masonic order; four barber shops, our hotels all employ colored help, male and female. This is the first copy of The Freeman in our city and we welcome it and hope it has come to stay. Anyone desiring to subscribe should call on or address the agent, Arthur Harrod. The first dance of the season was given at the skating rink. Quite a number of strangers attended. Caterer J. Henry Harrod has had his vacation and now is back at Hotel 52 for the winter. Miss Isabella Moore and Frederick O. Conner were united in marriage Tuesday at the bride's residence on 13th street by Rev. Charles Ager. We wish them a long and happy life. Mrs. Cal. Wilson and daughter spent Monday in South Bend, Ind. Some of our young people will soon organize a parlor social club for the winter. Mrs. Mary Rivers and Mrs. Eliza Griffin have apartments in Hotel Niles. The Niles Military Drum Corps has not been heard since election. Mr. A. Turner, formerly of Cincinnati, visited J. Henry Harrod last week; he has gone to Boston. Miss Freda Curtis is at Hotel 52.

Eufaula Gleanings.

Eufaula, Ala., Special.

Mrs. Easter Johnson, the wife of Anderson Johnson, died here Thursday night the 19th, after an illness of several months. The funeral took place from St. John A. M. E. church on the 20th, Rev. G. W. Webb officiating. The pall bearers were: Messrs. L. C. Gardner, Gus Askew, Louis Young, Sam Boon, Jas. Thomas. W. H. Wilson and John Grimes. Jas. Grimes has returned from Montgomery. Frank May of Troy, is in the city. L. C. Gardner the popular porter at E. H. Robert's grocery store delights in pleasing his customers. The entertainment given at the hall Nov. 20th, under the management of Miss Anna Lee was a success. The Freeman is on sale every Saturday at John Ward's restaurant, Moses Thomas' berber shop and Lewis Johnson's restaurant. Mr. W. H. Wallace, the Freeman's representative has returned home after several weeks out of the city in the interest of the leading race journal. Subscribe for The Freeman.

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News and Notes.

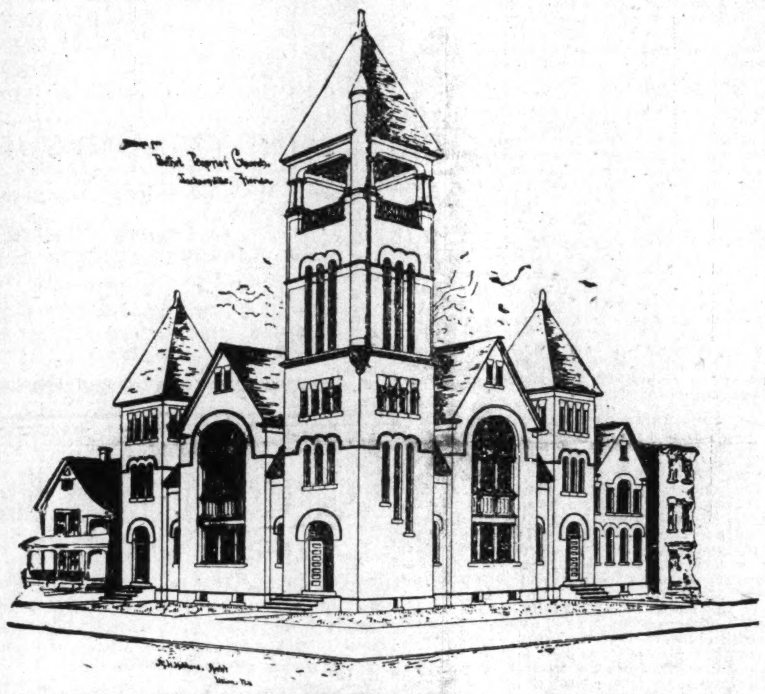
Piqua, Ohio. Special.

Geo. A. Wilson is on the sick list. Wilber A. Johnson spent Sunday in Dayton, the guest of his mother and and brother. Mrs. Nannie Lee, Misses Julia Kendall and Bessie Collins spent Sunday afternoon in Troy. Wm. Steward was in Middletown Sunday, the guest of his brother. Miss Nora Kirk, of Xenia, spent Sunday here the guest of Miss Minnie Huggard. Messrs. Chas. Collins, Robt. William, and Wm. Washington spent Sunday in Troy the guest of lady friends. Rev. Powell, of Lebanon, has been called to be pastor of Park Avenue Baptist church; he delivered two fine sermons Sunday. Rev. C. P. White preached in Troy Sunday afternoon. L. Pettiford visited Dayton Tuesday on business All news will be kindly received at W. A. Johnson's tonsorial parlor, 113 W. Water street.

Social Gatherings—Personals.

Cincinnati, O., Special.

The program rendered before the Phyllis Wheatly literary on Tuesday evening, November 17th, was grand; it consisted of recitations, solos, declamations and essays. The paper read by Mr. H. E. Williams, president of the Mt. Zion literary of Walnut Hills, subject "Vanity," was a masterely ffort; in fact all the participants did well and reflected much credit on themselves and the literary. Mr. R. Moore, the critic of the Phyllis Wheatly literary who has been absent from several meetings on account of illness, is up again. The reception tendered Rev. H. H. Harris by the ladies of the Zion Baptist church on Monday evening was a swell affair and was graced with a large attendance, notwithstanding the idclement weather. Dr. Townsend of the Allen Temple preached to a large congregation on last Sunday. The entertainment given at the Union Baptist church on November 20th for the benefit of the Crawford's Old Mens' Home at College Hill was a grand success. The social given by Miss Annie Davis, of 814 Freeman avenue, Nonember 13th in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Cassady at their residence, 923 Eighth street, was a swell affair. Dancing began at 7:30 p m; the music was simply superb. At 12 o'clock supper was served, the table being beautifully decorated; at 12:30 o'clock the band played "Home, Sweet Home." Rev. D. S. Scott, ex-pastor of the Mt. Zion Baptist church of Little Rock, Ark., and financial agent for the Waycross (Ga.) Institute, who has been very ill, is up again and left on Wednesday, November 18th enroute to Pittsburg, Pa. Father McGuire, of the St. Andrews' Mission, is doing great work and is meeting with much success. The remains of Mr. J. R. Jones, of Fifth street this city, were buried from the 9th street M. E. church Covington, Ky., Sunday evening with Masonic honors. Rev. H. H. Harris preached two grand sermons last Sunday to very large audiences; at 7:45 theme, "Cornelius, the Centurion."



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The Third Ward in Line.

Little Rock, Ark., Special.

All of Arkansas did not go Democratic. In this city the old third ward always gives a Republican majority. The Republicans held a big jollification meeting at the opera house. Judge Gibbs is in the lead for a slice of government pie. Dr. G. W. Hayman wants a place and he is entitled to it. Rev. Dr. Conner has returned from conference and Bethel church welcomes him for another year. Everybody is glad to see the new Baptist College open. It seems as if some of our preachers are bent on making war for secret socities. Bethel literary is the largest and best in the state.

St. Luke's Chapel Notes and Personals.

Columbus, Ind., Special.

Rev. Hubbard Brewer, the young pastor, conducted services in Franklin Sunday as Elder Mitchem was sick. In his absence morning services were conducted by Mr. Edward Troutman. The wide spread of diptheria has closed our Sunday Schools. Sunday from 7 to 7:30 p. m. a song service was conducted by Prof. Jackson. At 7:30 p. m. Elder Cheatham of the Second Baptist church preached an eloquent and able discourse. He took as his theme, "Children obey your parents." Official meeting was held Monday night. Six o'clock prayer meeting was led by the pastor in charge on Thanksgiving day. The sacred concert was postponed on account of the absence of the minister. Prof. Jackson and wife, Mrs. Pettiford and Mrs. Reynolds spent Thanksgiving day at their home in Franklin. The concert given by Rev. Miller was a success.

Death of an Esteemed Lady.

Edinburg, Ind., Special.

Mrs. Elizabeth Gooden one of the oldest members of the First Baptist church died on Friday the 20th. The funeral was preached by the pastor Rev. R. D. Leonard on Sunday the 22nd. She has lived here for more than 20 yrs. Rev. L. W. Gray and Mr. Curdis, of Shelbyville, came over, and many friends from Columbus, Ind., Mrs. R. D. Leonard, of Indianapolis, was also present.

Wedding Bells—Personals.

Palestine, Tex., Special.

The marriage of W. Phillips and Mrs. Alice Ayers took place at Antioch Baptist church, last Wednesday evening. They were the recipients of many handsome and useful present. On the 23rd Rev. L. G. Sanders and Miss A. M. Carson were married at Grant's Chapel A. M. E. church. The church was beautifully decorated. A reception was given by the Household of Ruth, of which Miss Carson is a member. Among the many presents was a handsome set of silver, 15 pieces, presented by the K. of P. The happy couple left on the 24th for Bryan, their future home.

Conferences are over in this district, many changes have been made. Rev. C. M. Moore, late of Henderson, takes charge of C. M. E. church; Rev. J. Sanders comes to Grant Chapel; Mount Vernon not supplied, Little Clara, the daughter of F. Woods, passed away Monday last. The parents have our sympathy in their bereavement. On Saturday the regular monthly meeting of the teachers took place at the High school building with a full attendance. Pres. Dodson presided. The subject under discussion "How to spend Recess" a paper read by Miss M. Rodgers was instructive and brought out many new ideas. The teachers decided to take "Educational Foundation" and discuss it and its premium, quick educational reformers. Miss M. Rodgers was made secretary. Committee Prof. J. A. Macmeans, Mrs. J. N. Dodson and Mrs. W. C. Cole. Thanksgiving services were held in the High school building, which consisted of exercises by the children and an oration by Rev. J. Watson. Many patrons were out, the teachers and pupils enjoy seeing them. Mrs. Georgia Green has gone to San Antonio her future home. Miss Mary Callier left recently for Marshall, to attend school at Bishop College.

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Grand Exhibition.

Magnolia, Ark., Special.

There will be an exhibition given at Mt. Zion school house Monday the 30th. The exercises will begin at 7 p. m. Everybody is cordially invited. Directors, J. H. Lewis, C. T. Thornton, H. Jackson.

At Loss Without It.

Hogg, Burleson County, Tex.,
November 13, 1896.

Mr. Editor:—I feel at a loss without The Freeman. Please find enclosed money order for its return.

Yours truly,
L. H. MOORE.

Decatur Items.

Decatur, Mich., Special.

Miss Gertrude Bradley returns to her school in Cass county for the winter term. There was a birthday surprise party at the residence of Louis Young Saturday night; it being his birthday Elder Dawson Brown of Arlington was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Burnett. Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Burnett spent Thanksgiving at Kalamazoo, with their children and other relatives.

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Mlle. Christine is at the Masonic Temple, Boston, Mass., indefinitely.

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Darkest America is in Brooklyn, N. Y., this week playing to good business.

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Sam T. Jack's Creoles are playing to fine audiences in Philadelphia, Pa., this week.

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Blind Boone Concert Company played to big business in Springfield, Mo., Nov. 14th.

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Isham's Oriental America are this week filling a return engagement in Washington, D. C.

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Colored Sports have been playing to packed houses in the Star Theatre, Cincinnati, O., this week.

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Black Patti Troubadors are booked for the People's Theatre, Philadelphia, Pa., the week of the 30th.

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Al Reeves Big Show is composed this season of forty people—twenty colored and twenty white performers.

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Sam T. Jack's Creoles packed the house every evening during their engagement at Troy, N. Y., last week.

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The Canadian Jubilee Singers are the only company of Jubilee Singers carrying a full orchestra, a slide trombone soloist and a mandolin soloist.

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David Henderson has been in court in Chicago, Ill., defending a suit brought by Henry T. Richardson, colored, who purchased a ticket for a performance at the Chicago Opera House during Mr. Henderson's management, and after being admitted to the theatre was refused the seat for which the coupon called. The suit was for $500. On Nov. 14th a jury brought in a verdict of $250 damages for the plaintiff.

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The Canadian Jubilee Singers and Imperial Orchestra are doing excellent business in the East. They have added another member to the company, making eleven in all. Miss Etta Duval has been engaged as soprano soloist and assistant pianist. Mrs. Carter, our piano soloist is receiving unlimited praise for her finished playing. She has few equals. Miss Fanny Stewart soprano soloist is making a decided hit. Mr. Carter, the proprietor and manager is well satisfied with the success of the company so far; he says it is the best season financially that he has exerienced. The Imperial Orchestra, under the leadership of J. E. Lightfoot, is a feature of the concert.

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Island City Quartette Society, of Galveston, Tex., was organized March 30th, '96. It made its first appearance before the public at Macadonia church of that city, during the State Convention, with gratifying results; they next received an invitation from the directors of the Houston State Fair to sing against six quartette societies for a premuim, they attended the Fair with the firm intention of bringing back to Galveston premuim, diploma and half of the Fair, but to their great surprise they have never heard or seen their would-be competitors and never will, never-the-less they sang several selections to let the public know that Galveston furnishes people with undaunted valor and never say a thing they cannot do or prove. The following is a list of officers and members: W. P. Anderson, President and Director; R. C. Lyons, Secretary; J. W. Wesley, Treasurer; first tenor: John Riddley, Morgan Montgomery, John Wesley, Joseph Punchard, Robert McKee; second tenor: Walter Jones, Preist Henderson, S. Shelton, W.P. Anderson, Ed Carreway; first bass: Henry Jones, Steven Sims, Samuel Browning, N. L. Montgomery; second bass: R. C. Lyons, G. P Hightower, L. Perkins, Wm. Green, Clenton Wallace.

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Isham's Octoroons opened up for a week's engagement at Miner's Eighth Avenue Theatre, New York City, Monday Nov. 16th, for their West Side engagement of the season, a crowded house being in waiting to receive that favorite organization. From the running of the "Blackville Derby," the opening potpouri of song and dance, to the finish of the round of operas, which introduced Mme. Flower and Fred J. Piper in well rendered vocalisms, past the review of an entertaining olio to the final curtain, dull moments were as scarce as society belles, and substantial amusement of the most desirable sort ran rampant, to the delight of all interested. Madah Hyer, Frank and Edward Mallory, Shorty May and Edward Furber, Tom Brown and Irving Jones contributed their talents to the furtherance of a strong olio, a brace of ballets serving to introduce the company in attractive attire. Mazie Brooks, with the assistance of a strong chorus, scored heavily in the first part, with Monroe H. Rosenfield's pretty song, "Don't Send Her Away," being repeatedly encored. All through the show applause was strong and evidently sincere, showing that a visit to this popular house during the week would be about the best possible antidote for that languid feeling so prevalent in the balmy Indian Summer atmosphere with which Greater New York is now surrounded.

Pumpkin pies are on tap.

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There are loud calls for scrapple.

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Loose-jointed men sometimes get tight.

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Autumn beards are coming on in great shape.

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Despite the cry of good times, storm doors will soon be going up.

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It doesn't prove that a tree will fall down because it isn't plum.

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A Tioga humorist is known as "the match" because he always makes light of things.

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There's no use in a man saying he never has a chance. Even the flowers have a show.

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Hoax—"Do you know that all the trees in the park are leaving?" Joax—"Yes; I've noticed the trunks."

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Two one-legged men quarreled on Market street yesterday, and inside of five minutes both were hopping mad.

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A revolver and an umbrella got into an argument. The revolver commenced to shoot off, and the umbrella shut up.

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"Some folks am treated laike a doah mat," says Brother Watkins. "Aftah all dere frien's wipe dere feet on 'em, dey am given de shake."

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Blobbs—"I saw a man at the theatre last night drive a knife through a two-inch-board." Slobbs—"What of that? I saw a man drive a horse and wagon through the Public Buildings."

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Rollinstone Nomoss (reading paper) —"Say, Tats, here's a piece about a dog wot only weighs a pound and a haf." Tatterdon Torn—"Dat's notin'; I've seed lots of 'em inside of a pound."

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Next year we may have football on bicycles.

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The silver question—"Lend me a quarter?"

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Moses never played football, very probably, but he was found in the rushes."

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Hoax—"If Bryan runs again in 1900 he will get the solid vote of the humorists." Joax—"Why?" Hoax—"He has announced that he will still keep this silver question before the public with all its 16 to 1 combinations.

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Sincerely, Albert Ayers,
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Sincerely, Mrs. Barrett,
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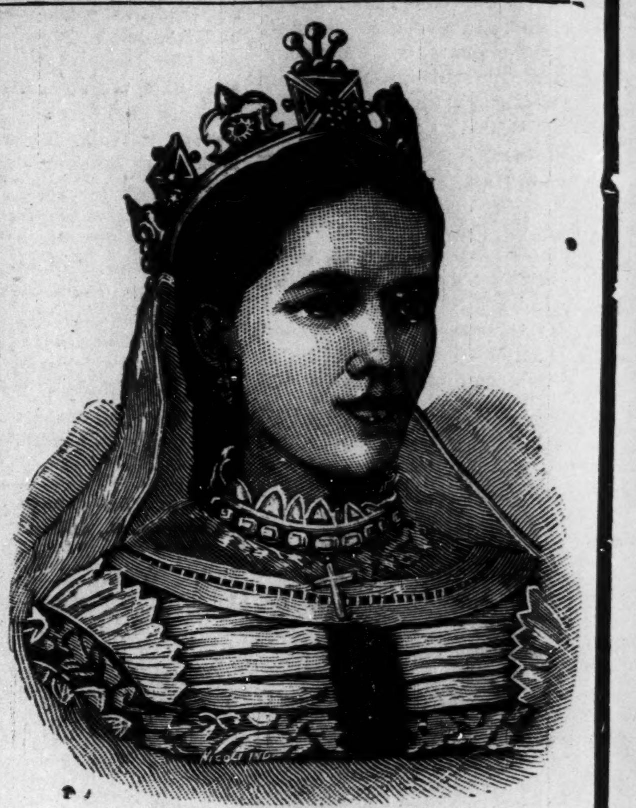

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Wax faint o'er the gardens of Gul in her bloom;
Where the citron and olive are fairest of fruit,
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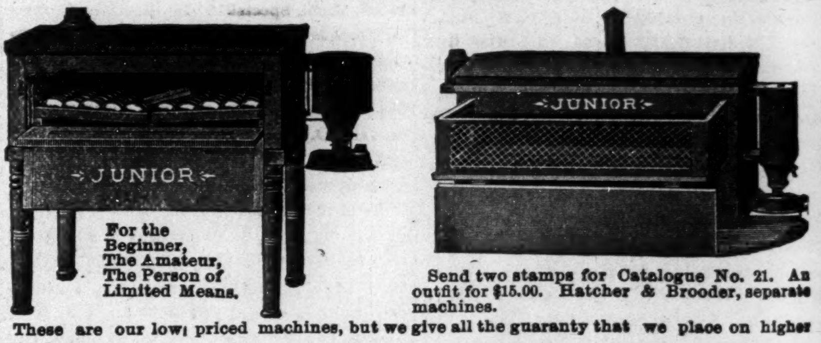

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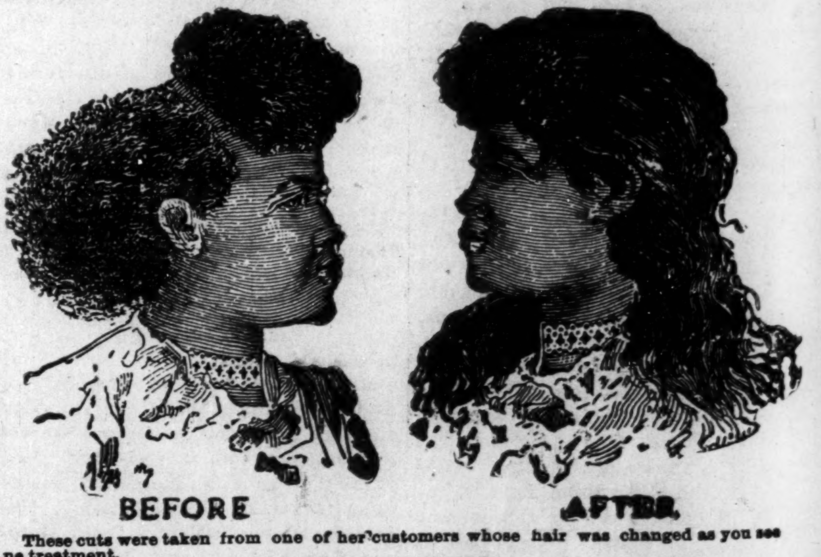

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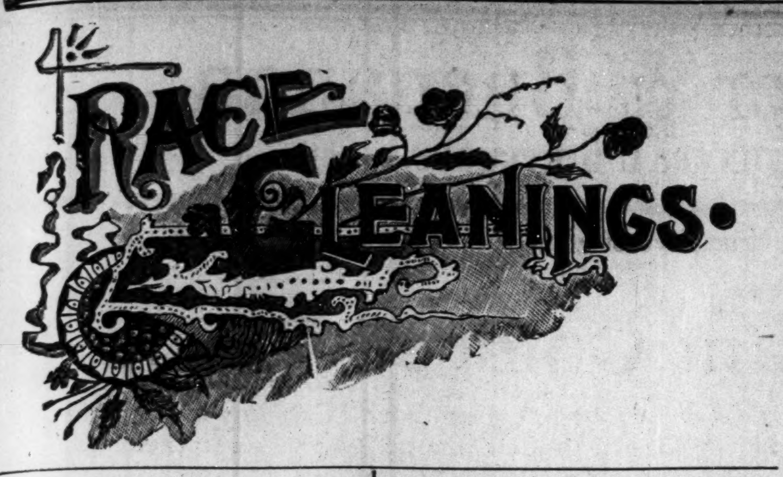
RACE GLEANINGS.

Charleston, S. C., has fifty Afro-American policemen.

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John W. Wilson is the leading colored clothier of Baltimore, Md.

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Afro-Americans of Chicago, Ill., pay taxes on $3,000,000 worth of property.

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In the state of Missouri there are 750 colored teachers and 51,000 colored pupils.

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Rev. O. Summers an Afro-American, is chaplain of the Legislature of California.

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Felix Weir a colored boy of Chicago, Ill., eleven years old, is a musical prodigy on the violin.

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Washington, D. C., has a home for friendless colored girls, which has been in existence eight years.

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Rev. Jno. A. Williams is the first colored man nominated for the city school board of Omaha, Neb.

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The first and only colored Roman Catholic Priest in this country is Rev. Augustus Tolton of Quincy, Ill.

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The Afro-American population of Rochester, N. Y., is 900. Only six men and women cannot read and write.

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The first Negro to be admitted to the bar in the State of Illinois was Lloyd G. Wheeler, who was admitted in 1869.

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Dr. H. Fitzbutler of Louisville, Ky., was the first colored physician to practice medicine in the state of Kentucky.

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Mathew Lancaster, a well-educated Negro of St. Louis, will head a colony of colored people which will take up Brazilian lands.

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Mrs. Alpha V. Miner of Kansas City, Mo., is one of the most successful business women of the race. She is said to be worth $10,000.

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The first colored woman to receve the Degree of A. M., was Miss Mary Patterson. She graduated in Oberlin College, Ohio, in 1862.

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A. Humbles, an Afro-American, loaned the Baptists of Virginia $13,000 with which to build a seminary at Lynchburg, recently.

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The Woman's League composed of colored wamen of Denver, Col., has been admitted to the Colorado State Federation of Clubs.

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H. D. Smith is the wealthiest colored man of Greenville Co., Va. He owns a valuable farm and operates the largest saw-mill in that section.

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The first female student in the world to receive a diploma in law was Miss C. B. Ray, a yonng colored lady of New York City. She graduated at Howard University, Washington, D. C.

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Lieut. J. F. Van Duzen, late Quartermaster first battalion colored infantry T. V. G., has been placed on the retired list after twelve years of honorable service.

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William A. Roberson is the only colored grocer in St. Paul, Minn. He has a fine grocery store at the corner of Sibley and Spruce streets. He has excellent delivery service.

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The colored Baptists report a membership of 1,500,000 with 11,000 ordained ministers; 13,000 church buildings valued at $10,000,000 and 9,000 Sunday schools with more than 500,000 scholars.

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Wm. H. Day of Harrisburg, Pa, is the only colored man in the United States who presides over a white school board in a city that has a population of 50,000. He is also president of the county school board.

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S. R. Lowry is the largest silk worm grower in the South. He is situated near Huntsville, Ala. He took a premium at the New Orleans Exposition over several foreign competitors from China, France, Japan and Italy.

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Thos. W. Stewart of Kalamazoo, Mich., will soon publish two books entitled "Universal History of the Great Race of Ham," and the "Encyclopedia of the Universal Progress and Achievements of the Great Hamatic Race."

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Wiley Jones of Pine Bluff, Ark., is one one of the wealthiest colored men of his state, and is one of the largest blooded stock breeders of his race. Besides his herds of Durham and Holstein cattle, he has a stable of trotting horses valued at $50,000.

American Fruit Company.

Readers of The Freeman will find an interesting advertisment of the American Fruit Co., in another column of this issue. This company owns a valuable piece of property in Houston county, Georgia, with 160,000 earliest growing fruit trees and is composed entirely of northern investors in Indianapolis and vicinity. They invite our colored friends to join with them. Shares are $100 each, but are now sold for only $78 each; payable fifty cents a week or as you choose to pay. After paymet of $35 the earnings of the company can pay out balance, if members prefer, costing a trifle more. Nearly a million dollars is now invested in this prticular location. Over 2,000 colored people find remunerative employment among the orchards. Three railroads for shipping facilities, three canning companies, saw mills, crate factory and the company's orchard is within two miles of Perry, county seat, five miles of Ft. Valley and Marshallville, all prosperous towns. A neat illustrated book is given free to all at the office of American Fruit Co., room 3, 36 West Washington street. The company is offering a very safe and highly profitable investment. They ship all their fruit direct to New York, Boston and the eastern cities.

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DE BICYCLES.

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Wal, wife, I'se bin to de city,
An' lor, de sights I seed!
Cyclin's all de fashion,
A ridin' de bike I believe;
De day was fair, de sun was hot,
An' dat ar mule had ceased to trot,
So joggin' along de dusty street,
I fell to musin' about de heat.

When suddenly a whizzin' by,
A two-wheeled thing attracts my eye;
A wheel behin' a wheel, yo' kno',
An' a man on top to make it go;
'Twas de curriest thing I eber did see,
As curious as a thing could be,
That man a sittin' upon de seat,
An' his feet a peddlin' as he spun up de street.

Sed I to a pusson a standin' near,
"Whut wus dat thing dat jes' passed here?"
Sed he wid a laugh and toss ob de head,
"A bicycle, dat is, Uncle Ned."
But I didn't ax him what 'twere fer,
'Cause by de name I jes' infer
A cycle, yo' kno', is a thing to cut,
A bicycle den de rye mus' cut.

While ober my wisdom chucklin' sat,
I saw a sight dat far beat dat;
Dis time 'twas a woman a riddin' on one,
An de way she was dressed, clean me out done.
If it hadn't been I seed her face,
I'd a swore 'twere a man;
For I could not trace
In de garb she wore a womanly grace.

An' when dumbfounded I spoke ob dis,
De folks jes' laughed an' whispered thus:
"It's de fashion now fur women to ride,
On bicycles too, oft side by side;"
It's de awfullest thing I eber did kno'
For women to dress like men dat's sho';
Dey call deir suits by anuder name;
Dey calls dem bloomers, but dey's all de same.

An' dey's organized dem cyclin' clubs
Whar dey race like hosses, yes dey do;
An' women jine dem cyclin' club's
An' dey ride an' race fer prizes too;
An' cullud fo'k's taken it up,
Dey's got de fashion, I tell yo' what.
An' cullud women yo' can't outdo'
An' so dey ware de bloomers too.

New woman! new woman! 'twas all I could hear;
All day long it rung in my ear,
But it pears to me a better name,
Fer dem women I believe insane,
Would be new man, fer sho's I lib,
'Tis de properes' name dat dey could gib.
I wonder how dis worl' will en'
Since women hab come to dress like men?

Beecher as a Slave Auctioneer.

Even people of mature years whose memory is clear about matters before and during the war have practically forgotten that Henry Ward Beecher used his pulpit in Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, as an auction block for slaves. The most famous of his "slave sales" was that of the beautiful girl, Sarah, and it was upon this occasion that the most exciting scenes ever witnessed in Plymouth Church, or in any other American church for that matter, occurred. Mr. Beecher was unusually dramatic; he put a fire into his words, as he stood the slave girl on the platform beside him, which fairly burned into the hearts of his auditors. It was not long before the people became hysterical with excitement. But Beecher kept on until he was ready to pass the collection baskets. Then the auditors gave vent to their feelings, and not only heaps of money was put into the baskets but men and women took off their rings, unfastened their watches and threw them into the baskets and on the platform. It was a remarkable scene, and such a one as probably will never be equaled in this country. Mrs. Beecher recalls the event with wonderful vividness in her article in the Christmas Ladies' Home Journal, when she tells the whole story of "When Mr. Beecher Sold Slaves in Plymouth Pulpit." The scene itself is remarkable well brought to the eye of the reader by a striking illustration made by DeThulstrup from material furnished the artist by Mrs. Beecher.

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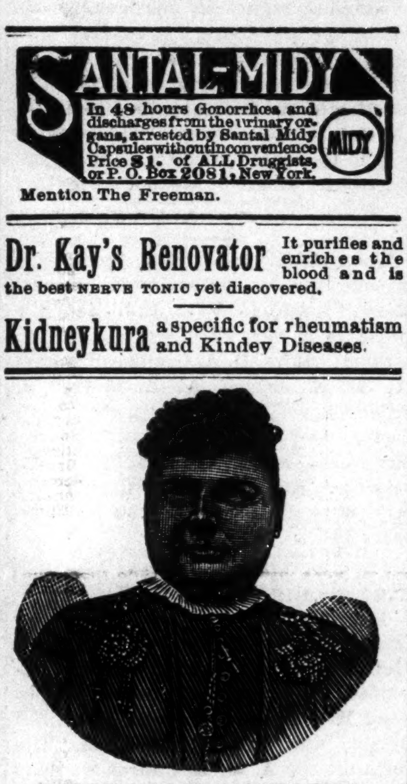

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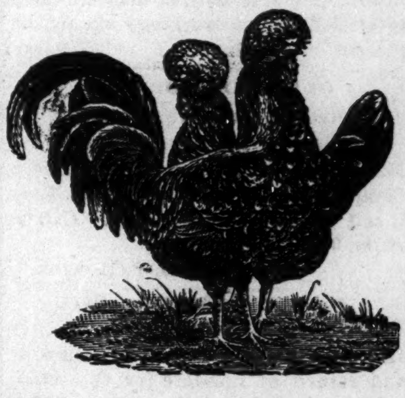

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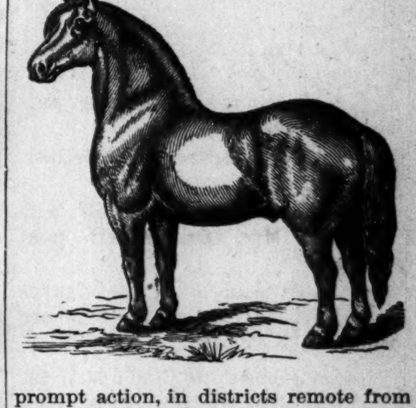

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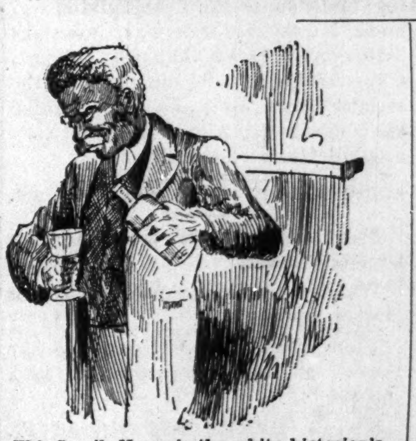

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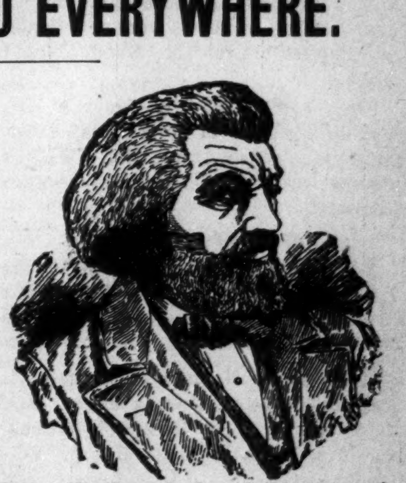

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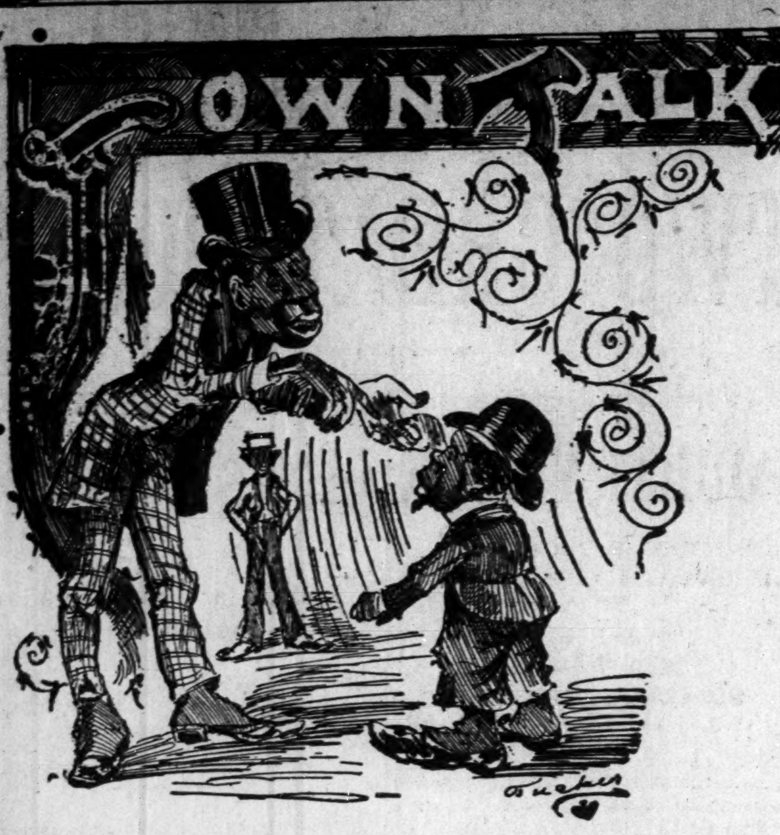

CITY HAPPENINGS—PERSONAL.

Elwood Knox spent Thanksgiving in Chicago.

Thanksgiving dinners were served at all of the churches.

Mrs. F. Brown is very ill at her residence in Norwood.

Born to Rev. and Mrs. D. A. Graham a fine girl.

The West End Needle Club will meet with Mrs. Dr. Elbert next Thursday.

Rev. B. Hillman will preach at the 9th Presbyterian church to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

Clarence Johnson, of Cincinnati, O., was in the city Sunday. He is much improved in health.

Miss Myrtle Hart is in Washington, D. C., where she took part in a concert Friday night.

Mrs. Boone of Cincinnsti, O., was the guest of Mrs. A. H. Henderson Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Knox entertained Revs. J. M. Waldron of Jacksonville, Fla., and J. W. Carr at dinner Tuesday.

Geo. W. Simmons, the foreman of The Freeman composing room, is confined to his home with rhuematism.

Mrs. Alice Pratt, wife of Thomas Pratt, died Wednesday morning of consumption, after a long and serious illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira McGowan had their baby baptized last Sunday morning at 11 a. m. Mr. and Mrs. Stout were the sponsers-

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Montgomery Lodge No. 6, K. of P. will present the play "Damon and Pythias" in the near future, at all of the leading churches in the city.

Mr. Frank Compton died at his residence, 357 Blake street, Sunday night. The funeral services were held from the Baptist church on Rhode Island street.

Rev. J. Milton Waldron, A. M., managing editor of the Florida Evangelist of Jacksonville, Fla., was a pleasant caller at The Freeman sanctum this week.

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Mrs. Louise Holman of Chicago, is visiting in the city, the guest of Mrs. Johny Berry of 102 Hosbrook avenue, and Mrs. D. A. Graham 214 W. Vermount street.

J. H. Mabra of Cincinnati, O., who has been visiting friends in this city, won the prize at the grand mask ball last Monday night at Wright's Hall.

The Anna Douglass Club gave their annual reception at the Herculean Club rooms, on Indiana avenue Friday afternoon. In the evening they had a reception to Herculean Club members only.

At the call meeting on the 24th, at Jones' Tabernacle to devise some way to assist the Alpha Home. Two dollars was raised for their Thanksgiving, which was turned over to the board of managers at Knox's Bates House barber shop.

Next Sunday morning at 11 a. m., Elder J. Milton Waldron of Jacksonville, Fla., will preach at the Corinthian Baptist church Everybody invited. Elder Waldren is here in the interest of his distressed people in Jacksonville, who suffers from the results of the late storm on the coast.

The Charity Organization Society will hold its annual meeting at English's opera house to-morrow evening. The colored Benevolent Society is one of the auxiliaries of the charity organization, and it is desired that all those interested in its workings should be present.

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ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

Miss Fannie Hardrick is on the sick list.

The special sermon Sunday night on "Jealousy" was grand.

Prof. Ed. Stokes and Rev. Crumsby addressed the Sunday School at 2 p. m.

Quite a large delegation attended quarterly meeting at Jones' Tabernacle.

Miss Wilhmina Tate, our meat inspector at Kingan & Co., Mr. Moore, of Chicago, Dr. J. H. Ballard and family attend services Sunday night.

We are glad to note that Mrs. Annie Granby, who has made her home in Rockville, Ind., for some months, has return and resumed her old place in the choir.

We know our many friends will be glad to hear that Dr. D. A. Thompson has successfully moved the catarat from the right eye of Mrs. Julia Hill, of Greencastle; she is seeing again. She is an aunt of Rev. Murray of this city.

Grand rally day Sunday at 2:45 p. m. St. Mary's Temple No. 2 and the Doves No. 1 will assemble in a body to assist in the rally. The captains of the various clubs will make their reports. At 7:45 p. m, a short sermon and sacred concert by a chorus of forty voices.

A large and appreciative congregation greeted the pastor Sunday morning to listen to the Thanksgiving sermon. He selected for a text, Colossians 3:15, "And be ye thankful;" theme, "Thankfulness." At the close of the sermon Miss Josie Easton delighted the congregation with a beautiful solo, entitled "Rock of Ages."

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

The attendance of the church is larger than ever.

The five o'clock prayer meeting is largely attended.

There were four additions to the church on last Sabbath. Collection was $86 78.

Rev. B Hillman and wife of Ft. Wayne, Ind., attended services with us Sabbath evening.

Rev. Alemedah Pachawh prached at 8 p. m., to an audience of 1,800. The sermon was a most profound one and enjoyed by everybody.

The lecture on Oriental Africa was generally patronized. The chrysanthemum female quartet made a grand impression at the Thanksgiving musical.

Sunday school was well attended and was well addressed by Rev. L. Stokes Rev. J. Milton Waldren A. M. of Jacksonville, Fla., preached a logical sermon at 11 a. m.

BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH NOTES.

The services were of unusual interest last Sunday morning. The pastor, Rev. D. A. Graham, preached on "Living Water," and quite an interest was awakened. The noon classes were largely attended. At 2:30 the pastor installed the following persons as officers of the Sunday school: Superintendent, Dr. H. W. Furniss; ass't supt. Chas. Woods; secretary, Miss Estella Johnson; treasurer, Mr. Wm. Kersey; librarian, B. F. Lowe; choirster, W. D. Collins. The attendance was fine To-morrow the pastor will preach upon "Songs in the Night." In the evening he will preach a special sermon to the waiters and bellmen of the city.

CORINTHIAN CHURCH NOTES.

The collection last Sunday was thirty-eight dollars.

Miss Nettie Prince was on the sick list last Sunday.

Mr. H. H. Edwards was in Cincinnati last Sunday.

Quite a number of visitors attended church last Sunday.

There was one addition to the membership last Sunday.

The rehersals for the "Dream of the Faries" will be held each Saturday in the afternoon.

All are invited to our Sunday services Preaching by Rev. J. J. Blackshear at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

The members and friends of this church gave Rev. J. J. Blackshear a very pleasant surprise last Thursday evening.

The regular rehersals for the 'Prophet of Nazareth" will be held on Tuesday and Friday evenings of each week unless otherwise arranged.

Some of those who will assist the choir in rendering the cantata "Prophet of Nazareth" are Miss Lillian Jones, of Louisville, Misses Jessie and Ida Thomas of Capitol avenue, Mr. Ellis Gibbs of Bethel A. M. E. church, Mr. I. H. Hughes, L. W. Maxie, Thomas Williams, Miss Josie Easton, Mr. Hughes of South Calvery church.

NINTH PRESBYTERIAN NOTES.

There was a meeting of the officers and teachers of the Sunday school last Wednesday night, to consider the advisability of giving a concert and having a Christmas tree some evening during the approaching holidays. The meeting of the Indianapolis literary in the church, the second Tuesday evening in December promises to be a notable one. It will be woman's evening.

JONES' TABERNACLE NOTES.

The quarterly meeting at Jones' Tabernacle was a success from general class to lovefeas. Rev. J. J. Kenne y preached a very effective sacramental sermon. Revs. D. A. Graham of Bethel A. M. E. church, A. L. Murray of Allen Chapel, L. M. Hagood of Simpson Chapel, and the Zion ministers of the city were present, and assisted in the services. And other ministers of the city were in attendance. Communicants 360.

Kalamazoo Notes.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Special.

The Household of Ruth gave a chicken pie social at the Odd Fellows' Hall Friday evening. It was well attended; the ladies who served supper were Mrs. Aletha Hedgpath, Mrs. Ed. Whalin and Miss Elda Whalin. The social at the A. M. E. Church Tuesday night was a success. A fair sized audience assembled at the A. M. E. Church Thursday evening to listen to a lecture and concert given by J. C. Coleman. Al Phillips who is confined to his bed with pneumonia is reported better. Cyrus Stewart has moved on Kalamazoo avenue. Mrs. John Smith is on the sick list. Arthur Allen is able to be around again. Rev. Watson and Rev. Hurley, of Detroit, were in the city last week attendidg the Sunday School Convention. They were the guests of Mr. George Stafford. The Douglass Club met at the Second Baptist Church Tuesday evening. Mrs. Aletha Hedgpath presided. Song, "Paradise Alley," Miss Bertha Brown; original paper, "Colinization of the Negro," Savonia Lewis; poem, "The Negro In It," Helen Lewis; reading, Lydia Day; reading, Josephine Hamilton; "Do the Best You Can," Hetta Hegpath; song, "The Broken Gate," Miss Florence Brown.

Clarinda News Items.

Clarinda, Iowa, Special.

The Willing Workers' Club of the Second Baptist church is still progressing. They gave a grand Thanksgiving dinner ending with a musical entertainment, and an o'possum supper at night. The Second Baptist church is progressing nicely under the directorship of Rev. C. H. Mendenhall. He has thoroughly renovated the church. Mr. J. Bowman has returned to his home in Keokuk, Ia. Rev. Knight, pastor of the A. M. E. church, has returded from a three weeks' visit to Chicago.

A Pleasant Surprise.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Special.

Sunday Nov. 15th was rally day at Brown's Chapel A. M. E. church. Elder P. Thurman, of Belmont, arrived in the city on the 14th. to attend the rally and preached two eminent sermons. Mr. Jeff Loumack and Miss Belle Cain were united in wedlock, recently; Elder J. H. Randall officiated. Gus Gatlin and Mr. Wright accompanied Geo. Melon to the country on Nov. 15th, where he delivered a lecture on "Taborian Knight-hood." Elder P. Thurman left on the 17th, for his home at Belmont. N. McIntosh and Miss Carrie Wardell were united in marriage at his residence on the 17th. Elder J. Mansker officiating. A freak was exhibited in this city during last week, known as the "Man-horse," exhibition. A real horse with a human face, hair and skin. The Shaker medicine company gave a seriss of concerts in this city during last week. Miss Carrie Smith and Annie Helm were arrested on the 18th. George Rich died on the 18th. Adam Gwinn arrived in the city from St. Louis, on the 18th. There was a surprise at the residence of Elder Jas. H. Randall on the 19th, under the management of Mrs. Ella Anderson and Louise Gwinn.

Lonesome Without The Freeman.

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WILLIAM SWANCEY,
Longview, Tex.

King's Daughters' Entertainment.

Chicago, Ill., Special.

The King's Daughters gave an entertainment and concert Thursday night, Nnvember 19th, at Grace Presbyterian Church for the benefit of the church, which was witnessed by a good audience. The following program was rendered: Vocal solo, selected, Miss Carrie Dennia French: paper, Mrs. Knapp; "Star Spangle Banner." Miss Dora Grayson as Goddess of Liberty and chorus representing thirteen original states; scene, the rebel prison; the singing, union prisoners, Mr. Theodore Hubbard; two fruit sellers, W. T. Basey, jr., Mr. W. Sparks; the rebel guards, Mr. James Brewers and Mr. Charles Jackson; plot of the fruit seller; victory; release of the Union prisoners; the stars and stripes triuphant; drill by Company D, 9th Batallion Capt. Robert Jackson, commanding officer; chorus, "Rally Round the Flag;" the awkard squad, the recruiting office, U. S. A. Recruiting Officer, Capt. Jackson; Peter Dudenacher, a Dutch recruit, Sergt. Ridgley; Weary Walker Wiggles, a tramp recruit, W. T. Basey, jr.; Sachawama, an Indian recruit, James Brewers; grand drill of the awkard squad. A Japanese and Tom Thomb wedding was given Thursday night, November 19th, at Bethel A. M. E. Church. The talent of the two children belonging to Mrs. Brady, 2738 Portland avenue, is a mystery to the Chicago people. One is five and the other seven years of age and both play the piano well. Mr. Ace Walker and Mr. Thos. J. Oglesby, two of the leading society boys of Chicago, expect to spend Thanksgiving day in Indianapolis.

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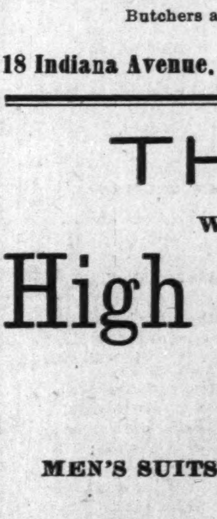

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